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## NO FREEZE-EVADING DEVICE Japanese Doing Wishful Thinking Facts Behind Barter Plan Report

### SUBMARINE CACHALOT LOST

The Admiralty in London announced last evening that the submarine "Cachalot" (1,520 tons) commanded by Lt. H. R. B. Newton, D.S.C., is overdue and must be considered lost.

Enemy broadcasts seem to indicate that the entire company of "Cachalot" have been rescued and are prisoners of war. — **Reuter.**

THE FOLLOWING AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT WAS ISSUED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT ON REPORTS OF A BARTER TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BRITAIN AND JAPAN:—

"Rumours of negotiations for a barter trade agreement between Great Britain and Japan seem to have risen out of a communication to the Yokohama Specie Bank of information as to banking machinery which they would be permitted to use in connection with any movement of goods which might, exceptionally, be licensed in future.

"The position is that in order to ensure that the effect of the freezing order will be fully maintained, frozen funds will not be released to finance exports to Japan.

"Arrangements are, however, being made to secure that if in any particularly case it is decided to license imports, payments for such licensed im-

ports will be made to clearing account, the balance on which will be available only to pay for licensed exports.

### Strict Limit

"Export licences will be granted for approved goods only within the limit of funds available on clearing account.

"Similar arrangements are being made in other parts of the Empire. "Maintenance of diplomatic and consular representation will be financed in a similar way." — **Reuter.**

### Japanese Wishful Thinking

There is no confirmation in authoritative circles in London of reports emanating from Japanese sources that trade negotiations either have been or are about to open between Japan, Britain and the N.E.I.

The stories probably owe their origin to Japanese wishful thinking, but have no foundation in fact.

It may be recalled that M. van Maak, the Netherlands plenipotentiary who had been conducting the negotiations with Japan, resigned about a fortnight ago on his functions coming to an end and has not been replaced. — **Reuter.**

### Business Lunch

Lord Beaverbrook lunched with President Roosevelt and Mr. Harry Hopkins in Washington yesterday.

It is presumed they discussed expediting the flow of war supplies to Britain, and possibly aid to Soviet Russia. — **Reuter.**

In, where fires and explosions were observed. All the Soviet planes returned safely to base. — **Reuter.**

## WAR WILL LAST YEARS

Mr. Menzies--

A warning to Australians against complacency and slacking of effort and a declaration that the war would be a task years long, was uttered by the Australian Premier, Mr. Menzies, in an address to Sydney businessmen yesterday.

Warmly praising Russia, Mr. Menzies said: "Thank God for what the Russian army has done, is doing and is going to do."

Praising Government control of prices, profits and interest rates, Mr. Menzies said this would continue after the war and was part of the new order which was being built already. He added that historically it was true that no country with a population of seven millions had undertaken as much as Australia had undertaken in this war. — **Reuter.**

the question of extending credits to Russia was up to the Secretary of Treasury and the Federal Loan Administrator.

As against only \$40 millions held by Russia in the U.S., Soviet requests for equipment are put as high as over \$1,000,000,000 by some reports. — **Reuter.**

## AMERICA URGED TO ENTER CONFLICT

A call to abandon the "defend America" and "aid Britain" slogans and adopt a policy of full participation with Britain to defeat Nazism, was recently cabled from London to New York by Mr. Evarts Scudder, liaison officer of the Committee to Defend America.

## FURTHER DENIAL OF DEMANDS

Foreign press reports that Japan has presented various demands to Thailand and has fixed an eight-day time limit were denied in a communique broadcast over Bangkok radio last night.

THE COMMUNIQUE REVEALS THAT THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY CALLED ON THE THAI PREMIER TO DENY THESE REPORTS.

Besides denying the reports the communique reaffirms that Japanese-Thai relations are unchanged. — **Reuter.**

The National Director of the Committee replied: "Our programme urges full participation to win the war and organise the peace.

"We will only have the right to a vigorous voice in the establishment of world justice if we are willing to make a contribution, whatever the sacrifice, to winning the war."

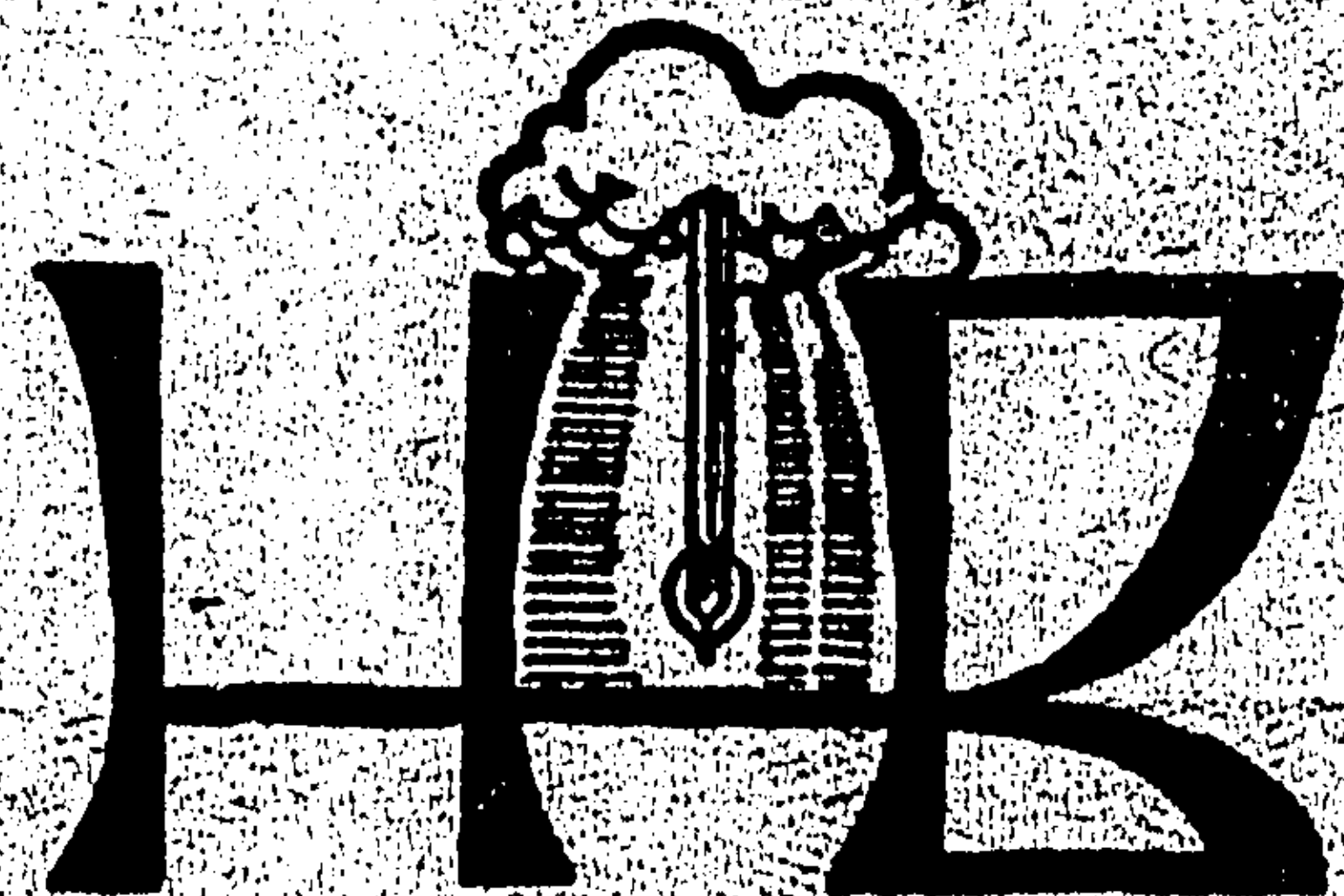
Mr. Scudder declared the Committee reaches 15,000,000 Americans and has never been so full of life. — **Reuter.**

## Soviet Raid On Berlin

Soviet planes raided the Berlin area on Monday night, according to Moscow radio.

Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military and industrial installations in Ber-

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# Secrets Of Mr. Churchill's Historic Trip Well Kept

## DETAILS NOW BEING PIECED TOGETHER

BIT BY BIT, THE STORY OF MR. CHURCHILL'S TOUR IS BEING PIECED TOGETHER. THE PRIME MINISTER JOINED THE TRAIN FOR THE DEPARTURE PORT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN LONDON AND THE TRAIN'S DESTINATION AND WITH HIM WERE THE CHIEFS OF THE IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF, THE NAVAL GENERAL STAFF AND THE AIR FORCE, AS WELL AS SIR ALEXANDER CADOGAN, OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

### O.P.M. AND COLLIDE O.P.A.S.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS COMMISSIONED JUDGE SAMUEL ROSEMAN, OF THE NEW YORK SUPREME COURT, TO STUDY THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT AND THE OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPLY.

The two offices have not seen eye to eye on some matters of policy—for example the proposed curtailment of motorcar production in order to make room for expanded defence output—and there has been talk of the creation of some "super-defence" agency under Vice-President Henry A. Wallace.

Judge Roseman went to Washington and offered his old friend President Roosevelt his services in any capacity while the court is in recess.—Reuter.

The party was deposited at a northern port and embarked in a destroyer, the personnel of which till that moment had no idea of the party to be conveyed.

Soon the Prime Minister and his chiefs were transferred to "Prince of Wales" on board of which there was some astonishment, but in larger measure.

Even the officers in "Prince of Wales," apart from the captain, were unaware of the journey on which they were about to embark.

They knew, however, they were taking distinguished passengers and even organised a sweepstake as to their destination.

Of many guesses made, two officers hit upon the right answer. One predicted they were taking the Prime Minister to meet President Roosevelt, the other that they were taking Mr. Harry Hopkins—who was already in "Prince of Wales"—across the Atlantic.

Both being right they shared the "bumper kitty."

### Rough Seas

The weather at the start of the voyage was bad but Mr. Churchill was in fine fettle and appeared to enjoy the rough seas. In such a vast ship it would take a long time to send a messenger from one part to another, and to facilitate communications, microphones were installed.

When Mr. Churchill called for his detective (Inspector Thomson) his voice could be heard booming through the ship.

After dinner several films were shown, including "Lady Hamilton," which Mr. Churchill saw for the fourth time.

When the picture ended Mr. Churchill turned to the officers and, referring to the Battle of Trafalgar scenes, said: "I thought it would interest you gentlemen, some of whom have so recently been under the fire of the enemy in a matter of equal historic importance."

"Prince of Wales," it will be remembered, took part in the chase of the Bismarck.

### Rendezvous Reached

When the rendezvous was reached Mr. Churchill went aboard the American cruiser "Augusta" and came face to face with President Roosevelt.

He handed the President a letter from the King—then they quickly settled down to business.

Nevertheless the President found time during the day to send over a present to every man in "Prince of Wales" of a carton containing 200 cigarettes, an apple, orange, banana and half a pound of cheese—a thought which was tremendously appreciated on board the British ship.

For the greater part of the time the President and Mr. Churchill were alone and in the meantime conferences went on between the heads of Services, sometimes in the American ship and sometimes in "Prince of Wales."

### Divine Service

Only time the President went aboard "Prince of Wales" was on Sunday when he attended Divine Service with the Prime Minister. There was not a single untoward incident during the outward journey and no sign whatever of enemy craft of any kind.—Reuter.

### NOTES TO IRAN

There has been no further Turkish press comment on the British and Russian Notes to Iran on the large numbers of Germans in Iran territory.

It is understood the Turkish Government has been kept fully informed of developments by the British and Soviet Ambassadors.—Reuter.

### HIGHER PAY FOR AUSSIE SERVICES

The Australian Commonwealth Cabinet has decided to increase certain rates of pay and allowances of the Australian fighting services. Amounts and exact conditions of application have not yet been decided.—Reuter.

## PREMIER'S VISIT TO ICELAND

Mr. Churchill's successful visit to Iceland was the subject of many leading articles in the Reykjavik press.

One daily newspaper said it was most appropriate that the smallest Democratic nation in the world should be the first visited by the British Prime Minister after his historic conference with President Roosevelt.

The Reykjavik correspondent of the Norwegian Telegraph Agency says no foreign statesman visiting Iceland had ever been so enthusiastically welcomed.

Mr. Churchill won all hearts. During the military parade a detachment from the Norwegian forces, although numerically small, attracted great attention owing to their erect bearing and hard appearance.

The Norwegian forces in Iceland consist of naval, military and air units.—Reuter.

## THE PIG IN A POKE

THE "VOLKSWAGON," THE PEOPLE'S CAR FOR WHICH MILLIONS OF GERMANS PAID BUT NEVER RECEIVED, APPEARED IN CAIRO STREETS YESTERDAY FLYING THE UNION JACK ABOVE THE SWASTIKA.

The car was captured in Libya by Indian cavalry. It was fitted out as a repair vehicle.

It seats three, the engine develops nine-horse-power and from its construction it is obvious it was never intended for civilian use.—Reuter.

## FIRM TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Home rails provided the main feature on the London Stock Exchange yesterday with the market strong all-round influenced by hopes of an early statement of the new Government agreement. Elsewhere prices were quieter but the undertone continued firm and prices, generally, were maintained. Bradford Dyers were a good feature among industrials on the payment of five years arrears in preference dividends. Shipping shares continued firm and oil were quiet while Kafirs were quietly firm.—Reuter.

## SHARP DEBATE

The sixth point in the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration made "an offensive and defensive alliance" between the two countries and involved a commitment that might take the United States into war.

This was stated by Senator Johnson in the course of a sharp debate in the Senate precipitated by a denial by Senator Barkley that the possibilities of sending a United States expeditionary force to help Britain invade the continent was either "discussed, intimated or even hinted at" at the Roosevelt conference with Congressional leaders on Monday.—Reuter.

## SINGAPORE'S "INSURANCE"

REFERRING TO THE recent arrival of the largest single convoy of Australian troops ever to be sent for the defence of Malaya, the High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, at yesterday morning's meeting of the Federal Council held in Kuala Lumpur, said:—

"The Axis propaganda would have the world believe that the people of Malaya are uneasy and afraid and that the troops in garrison are discontented and overbearing.

"Nothing is farther from the truth. I do not believe that anywhere in the world are the relations between troops and civil population more harmonious and more cordial.

"All the intense activity and all the reinforcements arriving regularly and constantly are nothing more than an insurance for peace.

"We do not seek war but we are fighting against aggressors and the spirit of aggression, and will defend ourselves if attacked.

"We happily have on our Northern border the friendly territory of Thailand, to whom we are linked by bonds of mutual regard and whose peace-loving people we wish well.—Reuter.

## 40 MISSING IN MANHATTAN FIRE

Latest known casualty list in the Manhattan dock fire is: seven dead, 55 in hospital and about 40 missing, including longshoremen, some of whom were working in the hold of the "Panuco."

They may have escaped but failed to report themselves or they may be burnt to death.

Damage is estimated at \$1,500,000.—Reuter.

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# AIR VIEW OF RUSSIAN WAR

## Remarkably Few Indications

### Loose Fighting Over Vast Front

DESPITE THE MILLIONS OF MEN INVOLVED IT IS REMARKABLE HOW FEW SIGNS OF FIGHTING ARE VISIBLE FROM THE AIR EXCEPT AT ISOLATED POINTS, WRITES THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE ZURICH NEWSPAPER "NEUE ZUERCHER ZEITUNG," DESCRIBING A FLIGHT TO SMOLENSK.

#### RUBBER QUOTA

The International Rubber Regulation Committee has fixed the permissible export quota for the fourth quarter of this year under the regulation scheme at 120 per cent. of standard tonnage, says Reuter from London.

This is apparently due to the loose nature of the fighting over a vastly extended front thousands of kilometres long and hundreds of kilometres deep.

Many villages are completely destroyed yet others outside the zone of fighting are untouched.

### DESPERATE CLASH CONTINUES IN TWO SECTORS

DESPERATE FIGHTING is proceeding in two sectors of the eastern front, in the north near Narva and in the south in the Ukraine, writes "Annalist" in London commenting on the German-Soviet military situation.

The Germans have apparently been assembling their resources for another big thrust towards Leningrad and like all offensives launched with weight and intensity it has met with some initial success.

The Russians admit they have fallen back from Kingisepp but there is no indication of any breach in their line.

Their defences increase in number and strength the nearer the front approaches to Leningrad, and if the defence yields a little ground under the pressure of numbers, the toll taken in casualties is probably so high that even the Germans must eventually find the price higher than they can afford.

It is probable that a similar offensive is being prepared at Smolensk and Kiev as it would be consistent with German traditions to exercise the maximum pressure on all points at the same time.

#### Stiff Resistance

In the Ukraine the Germans claim to have reached the lower reaches of the Dnieper but Marshal Budenny's rear-guard are putting up stiff resistance on the east of the river further north in the bend, and at no place has a crossing been forced.

It is significant that the Germans make no big claims as to captured prisoners and this would suggest that the main body of Marshal Budenny's army is still intact and will have to be reckoned with even if the Germans succeed in obtaining possession of the whole bend.

#### Remarkable Skill

The question of Russian resistance is largely a question of the reinforcements at Marshal Budenny's disposal.

He has shown remarkable skill in extricating his men from encirclement and the German thrust must be losing vigour with every mile of its progress. It is clear, however, that the High Command is "all out" for a decisive victory before the weather.

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

GREETINGS WERE EXCHANGED YESTERDAY IN A TWO-WAY RADIO BROADCAST BETWEEN SENOR QUEZON, PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND MR. HENRY A. WALLACE, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The occasion was the sixty-third birthday of President Quezon. He spoke from Manila and Mr. Wallace from Washington.

President Quezon, in the course of his talk, said his people were "with the United States in life or death." — Reuter.

### DUKE OF WINDSOR FOR CANADA

Following the Nassau announcement that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor are preparing to go to the Duke's ranch at Calgary next month, the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, yesterday said he learned from the British Ambassador that the Duke and Duchess were planning a visit to Washington. He did not know any details, he added. — Reuter.

The double battle of Bialystok-Minsk left very small visible traces as war material the Russians allegedly left behind was "probably either already largely removed or largely hidden in forests."

The correspondent saw few traces of Soviet fortifications.

"THE RUSSIANS INTENTIONALLY BASED THEIR DEFENCE ON THE FIRE OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS DISPOSED IN GREAT DEPTH, HIDDEN SNIPERS AND WELL-AIMED ARTILLERY EQUIPPED WITH MANY HEAVY GUNS."

"The Red Army also probably regarded tank and infantry counter-attack as one of the chief methods of defence."

#### Smolensk Havoc

Where destruction was visible, for instance at Smolensk, it is terrible. Where villages were not destroyed the Germans ordered collective farms to continue harvesting.

In other parts harvesting is impossible as the returning population find towns and farms burnt out, cannot replace lost agricultural implements and so face starvation.

In order to tackle the supply problem the Germans have shown astonishing speed in converting one track and double track railways to normal gauge.

Alternatively, they use motor transport and transport planes.

#### Billeting Problem

The quartering of soldiers presents a harder problem. Many German soldiers say they have been sleeping in tents for weeks.

With the possible start of cool weather in the northern and central sectors of the front in September, the Germans will have the task of providing quarters for whole armies in continually more advanced front sectors.

"WITH THE CONTINUING PENETRATION INTO RUSSIA, THE ADVANCING SEASON AND A SOLUTION OF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, APART FROM ACTUAL FIGHTING, WILL MORE AND MORE DETERMINE THE OUTLOOK OF THE WAR." — Reuter.

### LABOUR TRIBUTE TO MR. CHURCHILL

In a tribute to Mr. Churchill as a man of great courage and understanding, Mr. Harold Hicks, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour said yesterday:

"His initiative and courage have captured the admiration of the world. This country and its Allies will wish to thank him not only for the dramatic meeting but also for the manly and spiritual declaration from the Atlantic."

"He is a man of great courage and understanding and if the people will give him understanding and support they will be backing a man who stands for all the ideals of this country and the better times before it." — Reuter.

### DARLAN'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH NAZIS

The Deputy French Premier, Admiral Darlan, yesterday returned to Vichy from Paris where he had a series of conversations with the occupation authorities, says a Vichy despatch to the German official news agency. — Reuter.

### Simple Issue

Discounting the suggestion that his projected mission to London would be treated as a major political issue, the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, told his daily press conference in Sydney yesterday:

"There will not necessarily be a vote in Parliament on the proposal. I think the matter will probably be decided by party meetings before Parliament meets. 'If the proposal is rejected I stay here — that is all' — Reuter.

### MARSHAL PETAIN'S GOSPEL OF AUTHORITARIANISM

"YOU ARE EITHER for me or against me," declared Marshal Petain to Frenchmen yesterday.

"Love of liberty remains constant in the proud people of France but a free people is one in which each is subject to the law and the law is all powerful."

"That is the guiding principle of the regime which I am trying patiently to build amid innumerable difficulties."

Marshal Petain was speaking after having taken the oath of loyalty of members of the Council of State — highest judicial body in France, at Royat.

"After the peace our first need will be order — without that, neither liberty nor prosperity is possible."

He appealed to the Council to give him undivided support. — Reuter.



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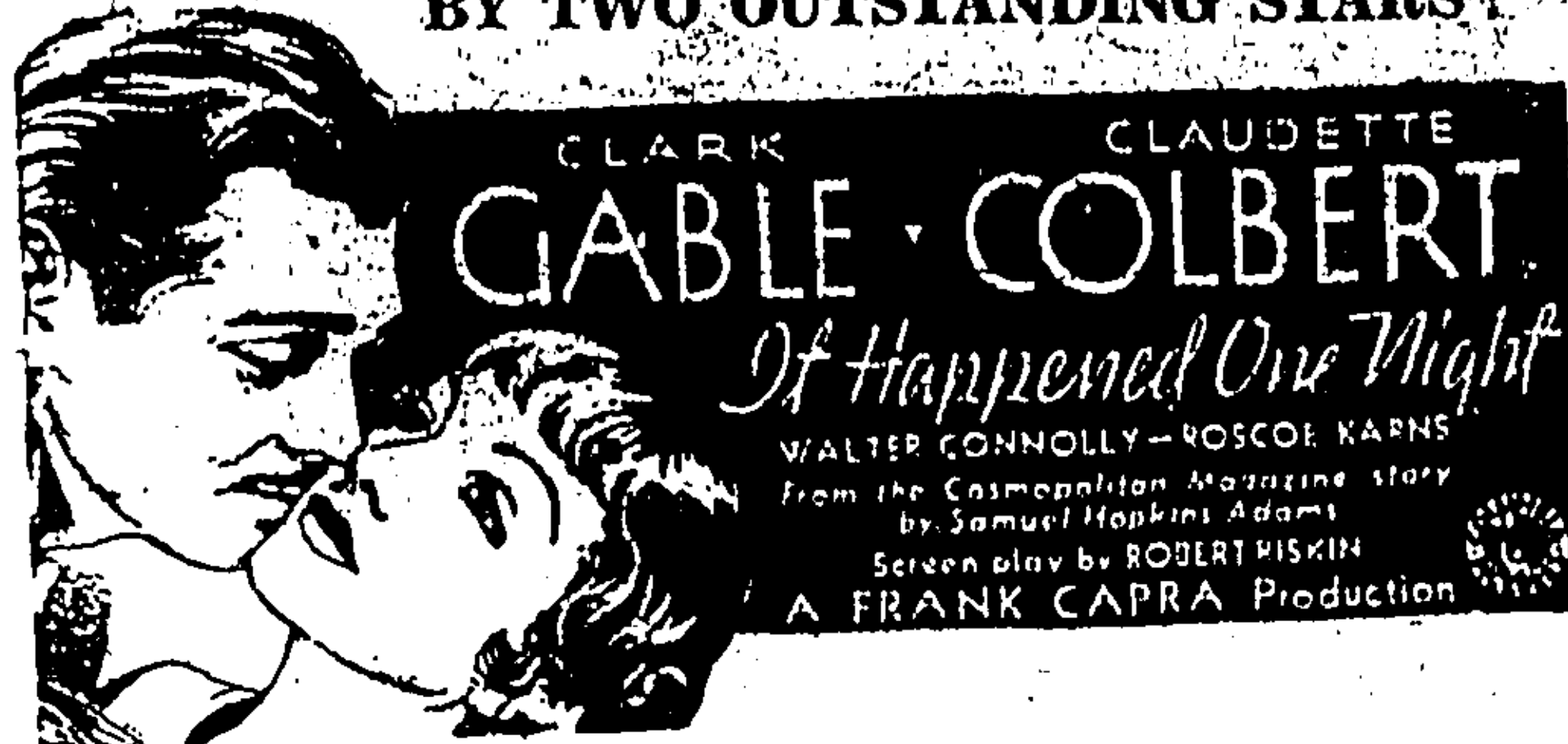
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# SMUTS PREDICTS NAZI SWITCH OF ATTACK TO MEDITERRANEAN

"ON THE WHOLE I bring back a happy impression both of our men and the general situation but always with this strong feeling — that we are up against it this time," declared Field-Marshal Smuts, when interviewed in Pretoria yesterday on his return from Egypt.

He said that the Germans in Libya were much more formidable than the Italians had been but he was optimistic.

Italy was full of Germans, and these had the advantage of being able to travel shorter distances to the Libyan front, but he expected these difficulties would be overcome by the Allies.

The Russian resistance was using up a large part of the German war machine but some of this machine would remain. General Smuts added that if the Germans had failed to invade Britain a year ago, when Britain was weak, there was little likelihood of a successful attack on Britain now.

THE CHANCES WERE THAT THE GERMANS WOULD STRIKE AT THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN—THE ONLY AREA IN WHICH THEY COULD FIGHT.

## Enormous Resources

"We are facing not Italy this time but more formidable odds," said Marshal Smuts. "The Germans have enormous resources to bring against us."

He added that he had never seen South Africans in a better mood. They were among the best trained troops in the Middle East and the South African Air Force had built up an unequalled reputation.—Reuter.

## PAPIER MACHE SPLINTS FOR RED CROSS

Model splints of a new type, to which limbs or various sections of the body, in papier mache and the tin moulds on which they are made, attracted interest at the first annual meeting of the Red Cross Papier Mache Auxiliary in Sydney, Australia.

Miss L. E. Armstrong, honorary director and founder of the group, explained that the splints are needed for a new technique in treating wounds, and that they were used with great success in the south of France last year. They were made there by Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. B. Long, who, before his retirement, was in the Irish Guards, and he has brought some models with him to Australia. They were approved by Major-General F. A. Maguire, director of medical services and president of the papier mache auxiliary, and he has asked the members to make large quantities of them for the Red Cross.

## Work Commended

The deputy president, Dr. Graham Drew, presided at the meeting, at which all the office-bearers were re-elected, and several letters were read stating that the Red Cross and military authorities are very satisfied with the papier mache hospital equipment which has been made during the year and used on transports, in camp hospitals, and general hospitals in Australia abroad.

## ANNA NEAGLE TO PLAY AS AMY JOHNSON

Anna Neagle, the film star, and Herbert Wilcox, the producer, have left New York by Clipper for London to make a film of the life of Amy Johnson.

Miss Neagle (says a Reuter telegram from New York) is travelling under the name of Florence Marjorie Robertson.

## BRITISH AIR POWER

Announcement that British bombers over Germany frequently number over 300 nightly, and publication of the figures of bombs dropped in three weeks over the Ruhr, Cologne and Hamburg, have impressed Turkish public opinion as never before with Britain's air might.

It has also done much to remove the misleading impression created by German communiques when they speak about "isolated British aircraft," and so on.—Reuter.

## JAPAN'S NAVAL MISSION LEAVES

After having been six months in Germany, Japan's special naval mission is returning to Japan from Cadiz on Friday, travelling via South America, says Reuter from Madrid.

## BRITAIN'S DEAD IN AIR RAIDS

The Ministry of Home Security announces the following figures of civilian casualties due to air raids on the United Kingdom during April:—

Killed, 6,065; injured and detained in hospital, 6,926.

The killed are classified: Men, 2,912; women, 2,418; children under 16, 880; unclassified, 55.

The injured are classified: Men, 3,659; women, 2,748; children under 16, 519.

In addition 61 (48 men, 6 women, and 7 children) are missing and believed killed.

## Comparative Figures

Comparative figures are:—March: Killed, 4,252; injured and detained in hospital, 5,567.

February: Killed, 789; injured and detained in hospital, 1,088.

January: Killed, 1,502; injured and detained in hospital, 2,012.

Figures for the four preceding months were:—September: Killed, 6,954; injured, 10,615.

October: Killed, 6,334; injured, 8,895.

November: Killed, 4,588; injured, 6,202.

December: Killed, 3,793; injured, 5,202.

The total casualties for four months since January are 28,178. These show a great falling off when compared with the total for the last four months of 1940 of 52,225.

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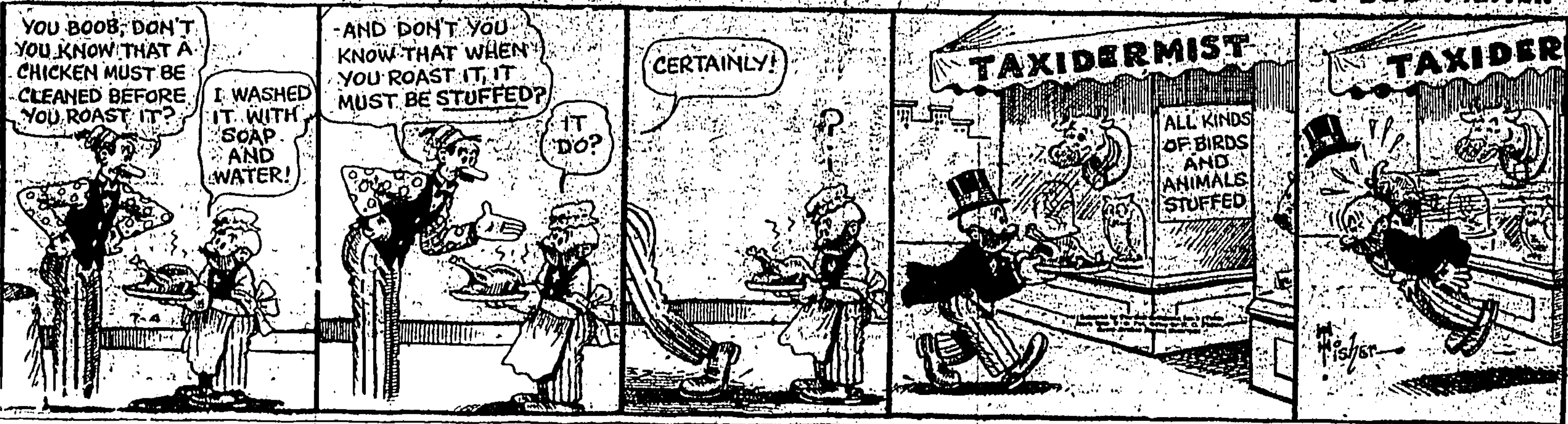


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ETON BOMBED AGAIN

It is now revealed that bombs, for the third time during a recent raid since air raids began, fell on Eton College. Fire bombs fell on and around the College, but, thanks to the excellent fire-watching system now in operation, the damage done was very small, and there were no casualties.

Fires were started in the roofs of two of the masters' houses, but these were quickly extinguished. The majority of the fire bombs fell in the playing fields and gardens, and for about a quarter of an hour the buildings were brilliantly illuminated.

While the fire bombs were burning high explosive bombs were dropped. One, on a football pitch, made a large crater and broke the windows of a number of houses and damaged the doors and windows of a row of cottages, while the windows of an inn were also smashed. Another

NAZIS FLEE FROM R.A.F. FIGHTERS

British fighters broke up a German fighter patrol trying to cross the south-east coast the other morning. There was a running battle high above the heat haze. Machine-gun and cannon fire were heard for several minutes, and then the enemy fled seaward.

bomb dropped in the garden of Warre House, the residence of the Hon. G. W. Lytton. Windows were smashed, a large crater made in a corner of the garden, and the stile leading from Judy's Passage to the playing fields was blown to pieces.

The boys were away from Eton at the time.

"A BUSY NIGHT"

(Extract from a booklet consisting of the diary-entry of Mr. Jack Read of the "Caxton Magazine," a member of London's Auxiliary Fire Service, written in hospital after an experience which very few people have been permitted to survive and describe in detail).

At the hospital I leave my crew at the main gates and go off to find the officer in charge of the fire. I am told that he is up on the roof so I walk up three flights of stairs and then up an outside iron ladder to reach him. He is standing in the middle of the small bridge that connects the two top floors of opposite wings of the hospital. I recognise him by his two brass epaulettes. His face is black with wood ash.

I report the presence of my crew, but we are not wanted as the fire is well under control. Before I am dismissed I am told to assist the officer to pay out a little more hose so that the men of the roof can get closer to the remaining fire. The hose comes up from a heavy pump that is working from a water dam on the ground about thirty feet from where we are standing. It is charged with water and three of us have to pull hard to get the extra foot or so that the roof men need.

I can hear Jerry flying around still and from my high position I can see a number of fires burning. It certainly is a stinker to-night, but the glow from the fires is getting dull. Then without any warning, without any whistle or swish, a high explosive bomb drops on the ground underneath our bridge. I am hurled upwards through the air at a terrifying speed. At the top of my flight I seem to be stationary for a second. I am conscious of a brilliant light from the exploding bomb and in this instant I see the bridge breaking up underneath me.

Kirby, the officer-in-charge, is flying through the air and the light is playing on his polished brass epaulettes. There is the roar of the explosion and the rumble of falling bricks and masonry. Then it is dark. I begin to turn over and over as I fall. I know that I have a long way to drop and I imagine that I shall be killed when I reach the ground. I let my body go limp because I think that by doing this I will possibly avoid violent fractures. I wonder how much it is going to hurt. There is still a loud rumbling of falling debris and I feel my forehead become moist against the wind as something grazes the skin. It seems that.

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**HORIZONTAL**

- 1 Abyss
- 2 To rent
- 3 Because
- 4 Challice
- 5 Dand of the Sphinx
- 6 Trouble
- 7 Season
- 8 Spangle
- 9 Seed coating
- 10 Caper
- 11 Satellite
- 12 Proposition
- 13 To summon forth
- 14 To bring forth
- 15 Fish sauce
- 16 Peltic sufficient
- 17 White
- 18 To elucidate
- 19 Musical syllable
- 20 River in Africa
- 21 Sediment
- 22 Hindu weight
- 23 Former rulers
- 24 Spanish article
- 25 Cries like a sheep
- 26 Liturgical headress
- 27 Feline

**VERTICAL**

- 1 Dance step
- 2 Mischievous child
- 3 Game fish
- 4 To loan
- 5 To urge
- 6 Alas
- 7 To stretch over
- 8 Eaglestone
- 9 Hawk
- 10 Poem
- 11 To decay
- 12 Electrified particle
- 13 Donated
- 14 Workshop
- 15 Intended
- 16 Ferillie spot
- 17 European mountain system
- 18 Chosen
- 19 Pitchers
- 20 Chopping tool
- 21 To entice
- 22 Macabre
- 23 Protuberance
- 24 Greek letter
- 25 Persistent priph
- 26 Slip of leather
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- 31 To fall behind
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# LESSONS OF THE MASS RAIDS

Regional Action Needed

(From A Special Correspondent)

**EXPERIENCE GAINED** in cities and towns which have suffered severe mass raids contains many valuable lessons. Two in particular stand out: the need for much more foresight in preparation for a "blitz," and for more rapid executive action in dealing with the thing itself.

All the gallantry of the defence services and much of the expenditure of the authorities are brought to naught by an inadequate conception of the problem. The Government has now shown its partial realisation of this by a drastic reform of the fire services.

It has found the enlargement of a peace-time fire organisation, divided into a multitude of parties, unequal to wartime emergencies. It therefore proposes to override local boundaries and regard incendiary war as the national problem it really is.

### The Moral

This just conception has come late, when bombs and fire have devastated many cities because of the lack of co-ordination between fire brigades—the absence, for instance, of even a standard size and thread of hose-fittings, so that brigades, rushing a hundred miles to the aid of a stricken town, have proved impotent when they arrived.

We should read aright the moral of this experience and act upon the true deduction from it without delay, not only in fire-fighting but also in many other departments of defence.

We are not at present half-organised for "total" war upon the country. A sound-looking scheme of regional action for emergency was adopted at the beginning of the war. But the sole emergency which could call it into action was "invasion"—the landing of an enemy on our coast. No such invasion has taken place, and the dormant powers of the regional authorities have not been awakened.

### Modern War

But another invasion of the deadliest kind has gone on for many months, whose incidence and consequences call for the prompt and vigorous exercise of those powers. It is not too much to say that had the Government applied them from the first we should have escaped many millions of damage and a vast amount of unnecessary human tragedy.

In the imagined interests of democracy we have shown too much tenderness to local predilection. We have failed to grasp the fact that modern war sweeps aside boundaries and steam-rolls cast-iron systems. Aeroplanes may in a few minutes attack the people of a dozen local government areas whose authorities, independent and unco-ordinated, can do nothing about it.

The regional organisation should be strengthened and given overriding powers in its region. The temporary obliteration of local boundaries for war purposes, the pooling of resources, with a flexible and authoritative administration always adapting itself to emergency, are among the basic measures most urgently required.

### An Efficient Machine

So far local authorities have not profited from each other's experience. They cannot at present act on a scale big enough to do so effectively. But we must assume that "blitzes" will continue and that the enemy will turn his attention to the smaller and less well-defended towns and areas. Let us be prepared for him with a machine which will spring into action instantly. Such a machine may be outlined.

Regional Commissioners with large powers should make a list of likely targets in their areas, and in each set up a joint committee representing the town-authority and all other authorities within a certain

radius of the target, the Commissioner presiding as chairman, and nominating the chairman.

The joint committee should meet in anticipation of the "blitz," survey its probable maximum needs, and be ready to meet them.

Two sets of sequels invariably follow a mass bombardment: In the target area there are reduction of the population, child and adult; destruction or injury of public services—education, health, hospitals, transport, lighting, water, churches, social institutions; damage to trade and commerce; large scale destruction of dwellings; an inevitable resort to communal feeding; an enormous reduction of rateable values.

In the nearby reception areas: An increase of population; a need for enlarged public services; sometimes better trade, and consequently an increase of rateable values. The billeting problem in such areas becomes more difficult as its importance grows.

### Billets

To meet this situation the Regional Commissioner should schedule dormitories within the radius he has prescribed, placing them on a priority basis, the nearer ones to be kept available for war workers. The dormitories would include billets in existing houses, in mansions, and in huffed camps. All the billets need not be kept empty in anticipation of air attacks; it would be enough to "reserve" them and make them available at the shortest notice after a serious "blitz."

Each likely target should be declared an evacuation area. That would prevent repetition of the miserable story of vulnerable places which the Ministry, labelled "neutral" till they were bombed to bits.

If only a small number of people took advantage of the evacuation plan at first, the fact that machinery existed for quick evacuation would help to preserve morale in the event of a bad attack, and it would avoid the pitiable spectacle of the disorderly trekking of "blitzed" people from one locality to another.

When such an attack did occur the Commissioner would be responsible for seeing that the Joint Committee came into immediate action on all the predevised policies.

### Pooling

This pooling of resources and services in the affected areas of migration and reception, and the co-ordination of plans beforehand, may point the way to the treatment of still larger problems. Owing to the destruction of their chief rateable values, bankruptcy stares certain local authorities in the face. New burdens are thrust on others. Still others enjoy a considerable degree of prosperity. We may come to an equalisation and pooling of rates over large districts. The "haves" must help the "have-nots."

The Treasury will have to make large grants to authorities severely hit, and the Regional Headquarters might well be made the channel for these grants.

Closer contact, perhaps organic relationship, between the Regional and the local authorities is indicated. The municipalities, with depleted staffs and swollen tasks, need help. Some could help themselves no little if it were possible to adapt their emergency

## NAZI-BANNED BOOKS SHOWN IN AMERICA

An exhibition of French books banned in Occupied France by the German Propaganda Ministry has been opened in the library of Princeton University as a demonstration of the methods employed by the Nazis to uproot the national cultures of lands under their domination.

Two lists which reached America in a roundabout way formed the basis for the collection.

The first, issued by a committee of the German Propaganda Ministry, named books which were to be banned "in the hope of fostering more sensible appreciation of the problems facing the New Europe."

The other, bearing the imprint of an organisation of Paris publishers, was for circulation to French book-sellers and ordered that all books named by the Nazis be returned or destroyed, or face the risk of confiscation.

Many of the banned books were school textbooks and primers. Some were banned because they contained remarks about Germany held to be derogatory, others because they taught the children that France was a great and independent country.

Not only are the Germans determined to destroy what remains of the culture of France. They are apparently unwilling to let France borrow from the culture of New Germany. French translations of "Mein Kampf," are being seized and destroyed.

The Emil Ludwig biography of Benjamin Franklin has been heavily censored, as have the works of Thomas Mann, Stefan Zweig, Vicki Baum, Einstein, and H. G. Wells.

Also banned are many apparently harmless works on travel, and studies of primitive peoples and their cultures.

Many of the books on the forbidden list were published before the last war—some of them a considerable time earlier—and are probably now out of print.

committees more fitly to war emergencies. The committees were selected often for seniority or for lifelong party service at a time when the superhuman tasks of war were not fully appreciated.

### The Younger Men

Such methods of selection do not always produce the men most qualified to deal speedily, imaginatively, efficiently, with the shattering problems of our time. Members of emergency committees over a certain age might be given some recognition of their fine services in the past, and invited to make way for younger men more equal to the strain.

Local authorities recognise their own weakness in many cases. They are conscious that the Regional Administration has not lived up to their expectations. But they also recognise that the failure of the Peripheral-Regional-Central organisation to work smoothly is largely due to the delays originating in the splitting of responsibility at the centre.

The overlapping of departments causes much misunderstanding and delay. Tighter control and prompter direction at the centre, such as might be achieved by a small War Cabinet able to sweep away departmental differences and rivalries, would be hailed with a sigh of relief throughout the land.

In these unprecedented and unimaginable circumstances, bold ideas and new methods alone will serve. Stubborn adherence to time-honoured procedures, elaborated in the placid atmosphere of an impregnable island, will mean deplorable (and avoidable) loss and suffering.



# CHINA MAIL

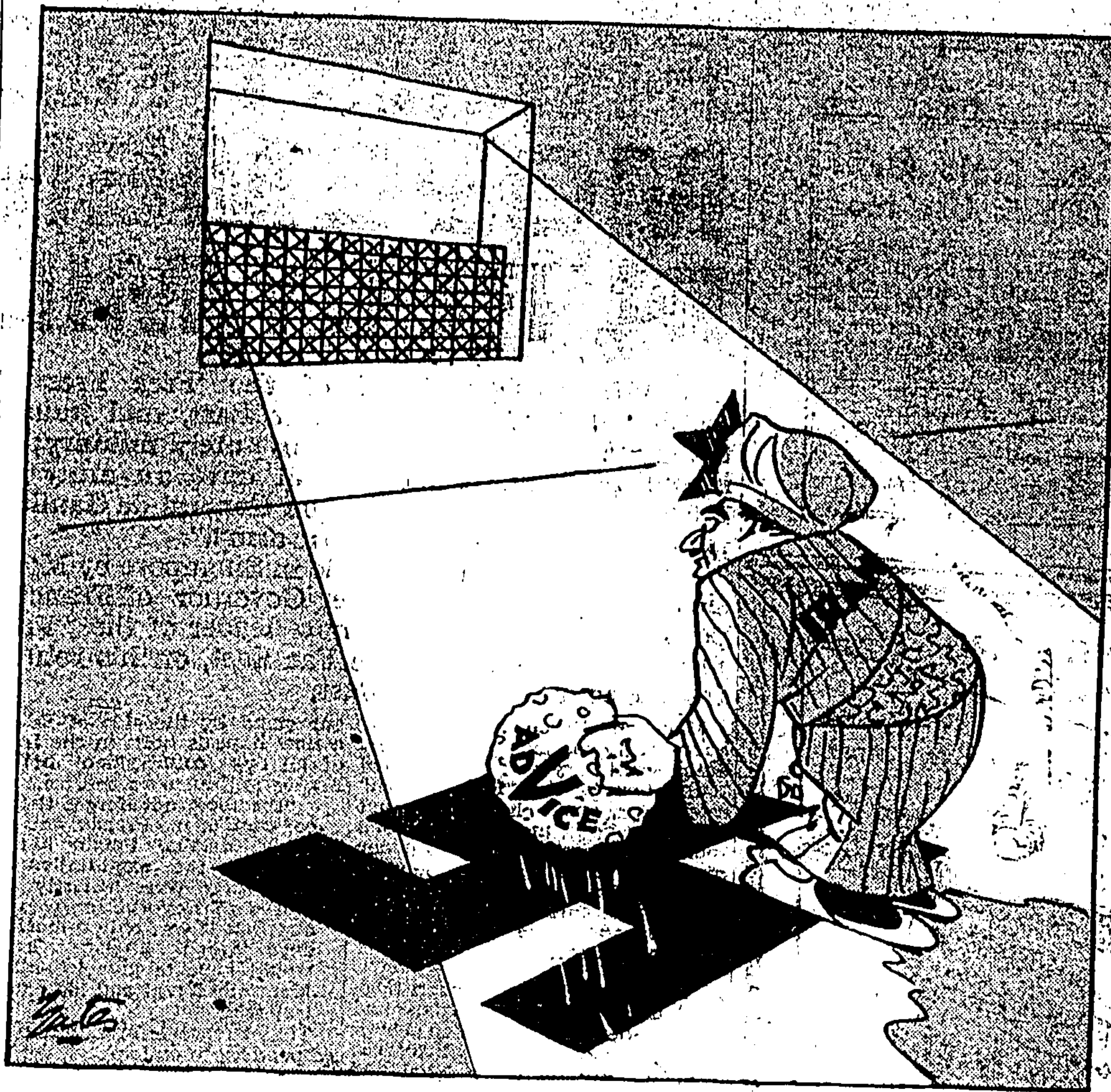
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## BOMBS OVER MOSCOW

No capital in the world offers a target to the bomber as conspicuous as the Kremlin. This is a city within a city, the secret fortress of a Government which the Commissars of the People took over from the oldest and most absolute Czars. The high walls are broken by towers and turrets that jut sharply into the sky. Within the vast enclosure are palaces and churches crowned with spires and bubbling domes that are doubly reflected in a wide bend of the Moscow River. It would be strange if the German raiders failed to score a hit on this shining mark in their initial attack, as the Russians claimed. The Nazis said that twelve bombs struck the "Kremlin area" and started fires in Soviet administration buildings. Whatever the truth, eyewitnesses agree that the Luftwaffe has failed to inflict serious damage on the city or to demoralise the population.

The hardy Muscovites bear the ordeal of the blitz with calmness and courage. But what are the reflections of Joseph Stalin, supposing he keeps vigil in the Kremlin while Hitler's incendiaries rain on the roofs of the Soviet capital? Moscow was the last city that was expected to be bombed. Stalin had manoeuvred to turn the tide of battle away from Russia. He had plotted to insure the Soviet Union against involvement in a struggle which was to ruin the rest of the world and leave Russia immune from attack from any quarter and all-powerful when the belligerents were exhausted. If his thoughts turned back to another night in the Kremlin when he rubbed his hands in satisfaction as Ribbentrop and Molotov signed the fatal pact that started the war, the first German bomb must have fallen on his ears like the crash of a great boomerang. Perhaps his citadel was unscarred, but Stalin sat nevertheless amid the wreckage of his policy and the ruin of his plans. The flares dropped on Moscow were the inexorable backfire of the shells that in days past exploded over Warsaw.

The thoughts of Adolf Hitler could hardly have been less grim and bitter as he launched the attack on Moscow. For if he conceived the assault on Rus-



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## DUNKIRK TO THE BISMARCK: EPIC OF THE SEAS

From the unbelievable to the unthinkable. From the unbelievable miracle of Dunkirk to the unthinkable destruction of the unsinkable Bismarck lie twelve months of which, in the words of A. V. Alexander, "our naval history has probably never seen the like."

The end of May, 1940, to the end of May, 1941, was for the British Navy a year of stirring, glorious achievement.

Deprived of its French ally, it had to carry out alone a task which, in 1918 was shared by five fleets.

Never in history has such a burden been borne before by a

ber of times in which the Navy has delivered powerful blows against the enemy without itself suffering any loss at all.

There was the Battle of Cape Matapan, in which Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham's force destroyed a third of the effective strength of the Italian fleet.

The British ships returned to their base with not a scratch or a dent to show that one of the most memorable battles of the war had been fought.

Tripoli—Italy's chief naval base in North Africa—was pulverised by our guns without the slightest loss or damage to our own forces.

Vice-Admiral Sir James Somers-

the promotions that have followed upon recent successful naval operations carried out at relatively small cost.

Besides offensive operations, carried out on a line that stretches from the Lofoten islands of Norway to Mogadishu in Italian East Africa, upon the Navy has fallen the task in the past 12 months of being prepared at any moment, at the shortest warning, to smash any attempt at invasion by sea, and at the same time to meet the full weight of the offensive launched by Germany against our Atlantic supply line. The full story.

# The Navy's Year

single fleet, or even by a combination of fleets.

And yet, notwithstanding losses, it can be said to-day, as Churchill could say but a few weeks ago, that the Royal Navy remains essentially as intact as it was in September, 1939.

The Bismarck was destroyed, unfortunately at the cost of the Hood, but a striking feature of naval engagements of the past year—a year packed with naval history—has indeed been the num-

sia as a means of stopping the war in the west, if he hoped that his enemies would be diverted from their purpose provided he turned the full weight of his war machine on the Soviet Union, he must be cruelly disappointed to see that this grandiose plot has failed. The rumours of peace talk in this vein—that spread in Ankara and other centres suggest that the Russian campaign, like all its predecessors, was undertaken in a final desperate attempt to end the fighting on Hitler's terms. If this is true, and if the effect of the drive east is only to strengthen and encourage the forces of resistance, then bombing of Moscow spells also the failure of Hitler's policy.

ville took the Renown, the Ark Royal, the Malaya, and the Sheffield right into the jaws of Genoa's shore batteries and sailed away again without as much as the loss of a single man after wrecking the famous Ansaldo arms factory, setting fire to oil tanks, putting the main Genoa power station out of action, and causing havoc in docks, railway yards, and among the Italian ships in the harbour.

The sweep of the Adriatic early this year was carried out, including the bombardment of Valona, without loss or damage to any of the ships taking part.

The sweep of the Eastern and Central Mediterranean in October last, during which three Italian warships were caught in the net and destroyed, was accomplished at the cost of a few casualties on board the cruiser Ajax.

The amazing exploit at Cherbourg, when British warships, their engines roaring at full speed, dashed into the enemy-occupied harbour, pounding it with 40,000 tons of explosives, was a daredevil action which cost us nothing in ships or men.

All these were successful offensive actions, completely upsetting the old theory, which still has its adherents in some quarters, that you can't have a naval victory without heavy losses.

In 1800 Admiral Cochran was refused a request that one of his officers should be promoted after an engagement in which a superior Spanish force was captured on the grounds "that the small number of men killed (14) did not warrant promotion."

The gallant old admiral retorted that Nelson's ship, the Victory, had come out of the decisive Battle of Trafalgar with even fewer losses.

That standards have changed since Cochran's days is shown by

of the Battle of the Atlantic cannot yet be told, but the sinking of the Hood off Greenland revealed the fact that we are using capital ships to patrol the Atlantic.

That gives the measure of the enormous burden placed upon the Navy during the past 12 months.

There are no idle ships in this war, no rusting keels.

Since June of last year not only has the Navy had to meet and counter the full force of the German offensive in the Atlantic, it has had to keep the supply lines open to the Near East, assist in land operations and keep the Italian Fleet bottled up; it has also found time to shell Calais, Dunkirk, Ostend, Cherbourg, Valona, Genoa, Kismayu, Mogadishu, Sidi Barrani, Sollum, Bardia, Derna, Benghazi and Tobruk, as well as cooperate with land operations in Greece and Crete.

Not all naval operations, however, have been without losses. And here there is a lesson to be learned. If the loss of the Hood is excluded, it can be said that the greater part of our naval losses have been in narrow waters, such as in Norway and among the Greek islands, where the manoeuvrability of ships is reduced and where the proximity of enemy shore bases gives enemy aircraft a local advantage.

But the Navy has faced this new factor of naval strategy unflinchingly. It has carried out its duty, intervened where necessary regardless of danger.

On three historic occasions, in Norway, Dunkirk and Greece, its intervention has frustrated Hitler's land campaigns from achieving their full purpose—the annihilation of a British expeditionary force.

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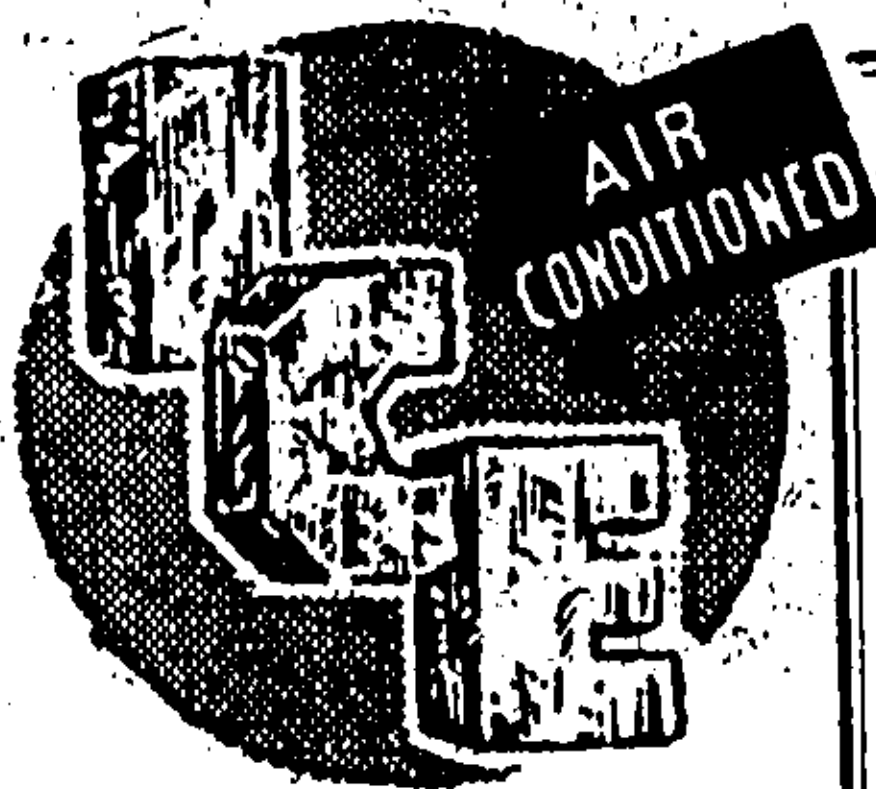
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# FREE FRENCH MOVEMENT PURELY MILITARY

"THE PROGRAMME of the 'Free French' movement throughout the Far East, and indeed throughout the whole world, is purely military; it is not political. Soon we will have an army of 100,000 fighting men trained on General de Gaulle's principles of an ultra-modern army."

This statement was made in Singapore by Monsieur Charles Baron, former Governor of France's possessions in India and now leader of the "Free French" movement in the Far East, on his return from a tour of the Far East.

Monsieur Baron said he was particularly anxious to stress the entirely military and non-political foundation of the "Free French" movement, since he found that many people in the Far East, even including Britons, "distrusted our aims and mistrusted our ideals."

"To these few doubters," he said, "I would like to try and show the true face of 'La France Libre'."

"At a time like this, when England musters all her strength and gathers her friends around her it is good to know that the 'Free French' are there, a loyal and efficient fighting force, at her side 'till the hour of final victory. Above all the Free French refuse to admit defeat."

"They obey that profound instinct of their race, as any Englishman placed in similar circumstances would have done, as he always has done in the past; it is this instinct which has always brought them through to victory."

### Honour And Fidelity

"The second sentiment which guides us is the knowledge that in this war the fate of France is bound to Britain's destiny, and to that of our allies. Honour obliges us to fight as long as Great Britain and our allies fight, and fidelity—fidelity to the cause for which this war is being fought; fidelity to our history, our ideals, our Country; fidelity above all to those we have lost in this war, those who sacrificed their lives in Belgium, at Narvik and Dunkirk, those of the last and tragic battle of France."

"The third reason for our attitude is that we do not recognise as legal a Government of coup d'etat, panic born and still dependent on the enemy."

"We have a great leader—General de Gaulle. We are not swayed by politics, our organisation is purely military and our aims are simple: to deliver France from the enemy; to put our whole strength into the fight for victory; to sanctify, by our sacrifices, the Franco-British friendship, the base of the 'New Order' of the future."

"The Churchill-de Gaulle agreement defines our political and military situation. Economic agreements define the situation of the colonies which rallied to the Free French. A financial agreement provides our treasury with the necessary funds for our organisation—apart from voluntary donations given by Free Frenchmen all over the world. These are the roots from which the Free French Movement springs, spreading its stout boughs like the sturdy old Gaulish oak."

### New Army Being Formed

"Free French forces are represented by 55,000 men at present in the fighting lines on different fronts. By thirty warships actually in service. By a third of France's Merchant Navy, and 1,000 airmen. These figures represent our numbers six months ago; they have most certainly been increased since then, and we know that at the present moment an army of 100,000 fighting men is being formed at Brazzaville, and that this army is being trained on General de Gaulle's principles for an ultra-modern army."

"But besides the part which the increasing Free French forces will play in the war on land, sea and in the air, there are other services which the Free French can render for the good of the common cause in this struggle for victory. Our very existence sets an example and gives hope to all Frenchmen, even to those who have resigned themselves to their fate. Because of

our stand by the side of Britain, a new hope is born in the hearts of all our countrymen both in France and all over the world."

"We must not forget that 95 per cent. of the French, and probably Marshal Petain himself, accepted the capitulation because they were honestly convinced that everything was lost and that it was only a matter of days when England herself would have to give in—all but Monsieur Laval and his gang of traitors."

That France is awakening and responding to our appeal, we have manifold evidence. The cross of Lorraine has become a symbol of hope to a whole nation, a people which will not cooperate with Germany; a people who are ready to cooperate with the Free French. All those who are able to escape from the monstrous net which has been thrown over France, confirm this.

### Network All Over World

"The Free French have spread a network all over the world, they symbolise the spirit of resistance in the fight against defeatism and the certainty of victory. England finds Free Frenchmen everywhere, cooperating with her in the fight against 5th columnists, against the doubting and against all the sneaking allies of the enemy."

"The British know well that they are not only defending their lives and property, but things of a far greater value deeper than political and economic interests."

"They know that while defending Eng and they defend the cause of the whole human race—the right to liberty and equality. The Free French can testify to this."

"In the end when this difficult but certain victory is theirs and ours, when after all the sacrifices we have suffered together, France is again Free we shall not again commit the same error of each returning to our own home, dressing our own wounds, everyone for himself. For the New Order will be made through collaboration with all trustworthy men, and England and France will have the friendship of a true brotherhood of nations, for we shall have shared our trials."

"Having stuck together through bad times, we shall share the better times to come, and we shall build a new and peaceful world on the solid foundation of Franco-British friendship."

### CALL FOR RECRUITS IN AUSTRALIA

The Director-General of Recruiting in Australia, Major-General Lloyd, said recently that if any family or firm was holding back an eligible man who wanted to join the A.F.F. it was sabotaging Australia's war effort.

"It is about time the people of Australia, including employers realised the vital importance of keeping up the strength of the A.F.F.," he said.

"I do not mean employers should bring pressure on employees to enlist, but that they should give those who are eligible every encouragement to enlist."

"The position is entirely different from that of the last war. This time Australia is in actual danger. The only way we can block the enemy is by keeping him out of this country."

"Australia must put aside detailed and negative criticism and probing for this and that reason for poor recruitment. There is a job to be done."



Randolph Scott and Kay Francis in Universal's "When the Daltons Rode," coming soon to the King's Theatre.

## TURKISH BLOOD NOW IN WAR

A Turkish friend points out to me that though his country is not yet a belligerent, thousands of men of Turkish blood are now in the war. They are the Moslem soldiers of King Peter writes the correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

Usually the Moslems of Yugoslavia do not speak the language of their ancestors unless they belong to the "Aga" class, the landed gentry and the priesthood. They form a powerful minority, but little is heard of them as they have become peacefully merged in the Christian population and their allegiance has been above dispute.

Their spiritual head is the grand Mufti of Belgrade where there is a large mosque. He is accorded high rank at courts and was one of the first dignitaries of the realm to assure King Peter of the loyalty of his followers.

Moslems are not separated for military purposes from Christians though in some regiments they preponderate. In these there are always Islamic chaplains.

## ANTI-JEWISH POLISH ARTICLE DISOWNED

The Polish Government "repudiates" the anti-Jewish articles published in "Jestem Polakiem," the Polish newspaper published in London. We believe such articles injure our cause and we deplore them."

This statement has been made to the "News Chronicle" by an official on behalf of the Polish Government.

Publication in the "News Chronicle" of the fact that "Jestem Polakiem" is printing violent attacks on the Jews is to be followed by official investigation into the activities of its contributors. The matter is to be raised in Parliament, and it is expected that a statement will be made on behalf of the Foreign Office.

"The people running this paper are in opposition to the Polish Government," it was stated in London. "Steps will have to be taken to persuade them they are injuring the Allied cause by this propaganda."



# RACE TO BE TOP DOG IN THE AIR

(By An Air Correspondent)

THE WAR IN THE AIR rises higher as the offensive seeks by any and every means to defeat the defence. Fighter engagements are now taking place regularly at heights greater than 30,000 feet.

Bombers are flying at more than 20,000 feet. Both sides strain to increase performance at height in the well-founded belief that the top dog still has the better of the fight.

The reason for all this concentration on climbing power is to be found in the attempt to hold the advantage in attack. Our fighter squadrons form an almost impenetrable barrier to daylight raiders at normal levels. They are beginning to claim a crippling toll at night. The answer of the enemy is to attempt to fly over the top of this barrier and sacrifice accuracy for security in coming.

## New German Fighter

The latest example of this trend in German tactics is found in the new Messerschmitt Me 109F single-seat fighter which is now in squadron service in the Luftwaffe. This new Messerschmitt is not the German equivalent of the Tornado or the Typhoon, but may be regarded rather as the counterpart of our latest Hurricane Mark IIs and Spitfire Mark Vs. The most interesting fact about it is the concentration on high flying qualities.

The Me 109F differs from the standard Me 109E of last summer in that it has a more powerful Mercedes Benz DB 601 motor with a higher degree of supercharge to enable it to give its full power at around 20,000 ft. The Me 109F has also a bigger wing of better form, so that the climbing powers are improved. Detail refinements include a retractable tail wheel, which adds several miles an hour to the speed, a cantilever tailplane, and a redesigned cockpit enclosure.

As a result of these modifications, this new German fighter, which we shall see over this country in numbers before long, can fly and fight at heights above 38,000 ft. We shall have to concentrate to a still greater extent on improving the high-flying qualities of our fighters to meet this new threat. To be able to out-climb and outmanoeuvre a rival gives a fighter an immense advantage in a day fight and the tactical advantage of diving on an opponent.

## Safeguarding The Pilot

The practical problems are not solely concerned with reaching a great height. They are just as much bound up with making the conditions bearable for the pilot at that height and in ensuring the reliability of the airframe and motor.

At 35,000 ft., where combats are now taking place, the temperature is minus 55 degrees Centigrade and the density of the air is only about one-quarter of that at sea level. Oxygen is necessary to maintain life at any height above 20,000 ft. Should a pilot, forced to bale out at 35,000 ft., open his parachute at once he will take ten minutes to descend to 20,000 ft., by which time he will be dead for want of oxygen.

Even if he decides to delay pulling his rip cord he will take about two minutes to escape from his machine and to fall freely to 20,000 ft. In those two minutes he may lose consciousness and be unable to operate his parachute—though he may revive in the sixty seconds before he hits the ground.

Another trouble of high flying is that petrol feed pipes and controls become brittle and shrink after prolonged exposure at such low temperatures and failures are likely to occur.

## America Is Helping

In this direction American aid is proving extraordinarily valuable. According to the Boeing Company, the big four-motor Boeing Fortress bombers which are now reaching this country by air from the U.S.A. are designed to cruise normally at 30,000 ft. At that height, with a load of two tons of bombs, they have a range of 2,000 miles at 245 m.p.h. At present there is no other aeroplane in the world which can equal this performance. It is obtained by the use of exhaust-

## MAFOO AND PONIES KILLED BY LIVE WIRE IN HUNGJAO

A Chinese mafoo and two ponies were electrocuted and killed almost instantly while two foreigners out for an early morning ride narrowly escaped a similar fate and emerged with severe shocks in the Hungjao area of Shanghai.

The pony the mafoo was riding was ahead of the others on Hungjao Road and accidentally got into contact with a telephone wire which had been blown down during the recent typhoon.

The foreigners, who were Miss Siemssen and Mr. E. Schuster, witnessed the accident as the mafoo was riding in front of them. His pony slipped and faltered. The rider was thrown off and fell underneath the pony.

Miss Siemssen immediately dismounted and was attempting to save the mafoo when her pony backed and hit a live wire and was killed instantly. It was ascertained that the mafoo's pony and its rider had come into contact with the wire and were killed. Miss Siemssen and Mr. Schuster sustained severe shocks.

Enquiries made elicited that the wire was a military telephone which had either fallen or been blown down by the typhoon and in falling had crossed a cable of the Power Company.

As the live wire hanging across the road presented a serious menace to pedestrians and others the Power Company when informed of the occurrence immediately sent workers to the scene to remove the danger. The men made a thorough search in the vicinity and neighbourhood to ascertain if other live wires were not lying around. The mafoo was conveyed to a Chinese hospital in an emergency ambulance and was certified to be dead upon arrival.

An inspector of the Shanghai Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals also went to the scene of the tragedy and arranged for the disposal of the ponies. Miss Siemssen and her companion returned home none the worse for their harrowing experience.

drive turbo-super-chargers in which the energy in the exhaust gases from the motors is used to compress the rarified air into the cylinders. Cruising at 30,000 ft. the bomber is safe from accurate anti-aircraft fire and is difficult to intercept by fighters even by day.

There seems little doubt that stratosphere bombers will be in service in the air forces of the major Powers in the very near future. These bombers, which will have "pressure cabins" in which the air is maintained at the pressure equivalent to 10,000 ft. when the machine is flying at 40,000 ft., will present a new problem to the defences. The Germans are reported to be experimenting with Heinkel He 111K bombers converted for this purpose. While we expand our own offensive weapons in this direction we must also look closely to our reply in high-flying defences against the new danger in day attack.

## "PORTUGAL NEXT"

Colonel Donovan, who recently toured Europe as President Roosevelt's special envoy, speaking at Princeton, New Jersey, expressed the view that Germany may soon seize Portugal, and move through French North Africa towards Dakar, thus seeking to control the South Atlantic.

## FIRE-WATCHERS IN DAY-TIME

The Regional Commissioner for the north-west (Sir Harry Haig) announced that fire-watching at business premises during the daytime is to be relaxed immediately.

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## PRESERVING CONTROL

### By The Four Aces

"When this hand was played," writes Mrs. J. M. S., of Baltimore, "my partner failed to make his contract. One of the opponents hinted that the hand should have been made, but refused to say any more, claiming he didn't want to start trouble between my partner and me. My partner was my husband, but we don't fight over bridge hands—so will you please tell us if the hand should have been made?"

West, Dealer  
East-West vulnerable

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♠ J 7 3  
♥ Q 9 8  
♦ A Q J 5  
♣ A K J

WEST  
♠ A K Q 8 4  
♥ K 6 5 2  
♦ 6  
♣ 7 4 3

EAST  
♠ 10 6 2  
♥ 4  
♦ 9 8 4 2  
♣ 9 8 6 5 2

### SOUTH

♠ 9 5  
♥ A J 10 7 3  
♦ K 10 7 3  
♣ Q 10

The bidding:

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| 1♠   | Dbl.  | Pass | 3♥    |
| Pass | 4♥    | Pass | Pass  |

"West led three rounds of spades, and my husband ruffed the third. Then he led the ten of clubs to dummy's King and led the eight of hearts for a finesse. West held off, so the Queen of hearts was led next. When East discarded, South put up the Ace of hearts since the finesse couldn't succeed. West took the next heart and led a fourth spade. That forced out the last trump from the South hand, so West made his last trump and the remaining spade.

"Was there anything wrong with this line of play?"  
As long as you assure us that we won't start any trouble, we'll agree with your opponent. The hand should have been made. The play was perfect up to the second round of trump. At that point, South should have taken a second finesse instead of putting up the Ace.

If West took his King, dummy would still have a trump to take care of a fourth round of spades. And if West still refused to win, South could then cash the trump Ace and run the minor suits until West got ready to take the high trump. The important thing was to preserve control of trumps.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q J 5  
♥ K J 7 3 2  
♦ A Q 9  
♣ 7 4

The bidding:  
1♠  
Pass

♠ 10 6 2  
♥ 4  
♦ 9 8 4 2  
♣ 9 8 6 5 2

ANSWER: Bid two hearts. This free bid shows your strength and, coming after your penalty double, your length in hearts. There is no need to make a jump bid, but you cannot afford to pass and thrust the responsibility on your partner.

Score 100% for two hearts; 80% for three hearts; 10% for pass.

### Question No. 799

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K J 7 3 2  
♥ 8 5 2  
♦ J 4  
♣ 9 7 3

The bidding:  
1♠  
2♠

♠ 10 6 2  
♥ 4  
♦ 9 8 4 2  
♣ 9 8 6 5 2

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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# EVACUATION IN GERMANY

There is some slight satisfaction in knowing that our air attacks on Germany produce as great social dislocation as the German attacks on us says the "Manchester Guardian." They have compelled large-scale evacuation of children from the German North and West to Czechoslovakia, to Poland; and to Austria. The Germans, as usual, claim that their measures are unique in history; in Britain, they say, only the children of the rich can be sent away from dangerous areas. To judge from a report recently made by Baldur von Schirach, parents at first hung back from sending their children away. Then there was "a storm of evacuation," particularly from Hamburg, Bremen, Berlin, and the great towns of the West. (This was before the last series of heavy British raids.) A considerable strain was put on the transport system, but now, it is declared, the process is smooth. In the beginning the children were housed in party institutions. Hitler Youth houses, youth hostels, and so on. Then schools, monasteries and convent schools were used. Now the bulk of the children are in boarding-houses, hotels, and Inns. The children, Von Schirach said,

were brave, but he appealed to parents not to send them harrowing descriptions of enemy air attacks, which only served to cause the children alarm; "more than the real position at home warranted."

## Making Room For Them

Some idea of the recent increase can be gathered from the figures of the Polish Warthegau. At the end of December there were only 15,000 Berlin children there; by February 20 there were 100,000. Many thousands of Berlin children are living on the Lower Danube, and Kiel children have also been arriving there. Hamburg children are living in Vienna and in the Wiener Wald. Czech reports say that 150,000 refugees, both children and adult, have arrived in Bohemia and Moravia, and thirty-two districts have been compulsorily evacuated by order of the Protector to make room for them. This figure has probably been doubled by now.

## A Hurried Affair

The German accounts suggest several interesting points in organization. In cooperation with the Reich Youth Office, the organizations responsible for child evacuees are issuing a monthly "Parents' Letter" which is sent both to the parents of the children in Berlin and to the foster-parents in the Polish Warthegau. The Hamburg district of the Nazi party presented a film to parents of children evacuated to the Lower Danube camps. The Minister of Education has tried to allay fears about loss of schooling by assuring parents that evacuated children will receive it in their reception areas. It is promised that on their return any gaps in their education will be made good by special measures.

No German child shall suffer disadvantage, even in the matter of promotion to a higher class, on account of disturbance, through no fault of its own, of the regular school routine.

The general inference is that German evacuation has been a hurried affair for which no adequate preparation had been made. It has now been extended on a huge scale, and Germany and her tributary countries offer enormous tracts that can be counted as "safe areas." All the same, it is a side of the war that must have had its effect on the confidence of the ordinary people.



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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

# Holiday Made Happier

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First do not load your trunk with a lot of unnecessary clothes. Fresh cottons, light wools, a sweater or two and play clothes are about all you need. Perhaps a couple of casual evening dresses will be required for gala nights. You will want a lot of exercise during your holiday so see that your swim suit fits. Above all see that everything you cart along is in apple-pie order. There will be no time for sewing on a snap or taking up a hem - all those little details should be attended to before your clothes are packed.

It is good to bear in mind that low-heeled shoes are the natural accessory for all play clothes - cotton dresses, shorts, slacks. A girl looks positively silly trying to walk along the beach in a pair of high-heeled sandals! See that you show better taste and better sense.

This summer girls have determined to keep their hair out of the sun, so gayly coloured turbans and scarves become a vital part of one's play wardrobe. For every costume have a head covering that adds a dash of harmonising colour. Then wear it!

It is nice to carry scads of fresh undies if you can afford to be so stocked. If you are limited then you should buy silk jersey or silk seersucker underthings and nighties as they are easily washed out and require no ironing if they are stretched before you hang them to dry. As personal daintiness is vital to charm and allure you cannot afford to economise on laundry, and some very active days you will require two and three changes. A deodorant is a "must" as you can see.

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... that two or three lengths of elastic sewn across pleats on the inside of a skirt keep them in place. This does not apply to narrow pleats, but only to the wider box-pleated panels.

... that setting apart a special day for small repairs to clothes and things around the house will save you time and money. Get your tools together - needles, cotton, wool, paint, tacks, hammers, and so on - every Thursday afternoon for a couple of hours.

... that a pinch of salt in your cocoa improves its flavour a lot; that a bay leaf improves the flavour of nearly all sauces served with fish. It is good with cauliflower, too.

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aids you are used to using at home. You must have a sun cream, a cleanser, a lubricant, plenty of face tissues, manicuring aids, and make-up. Naturally you do not need to wear other than a lipstick and a bit of powder once your skin takes on new beauty from wholesome outdoor life, but until then you will need a protective powder foundation, perhaps rouge, lipstick and powder. And about hair aids. You will

not want to give up much time for beauty visits so equip yourself with a good brush, comb, some curlers and bobby pins. A quick setting lotion might come in handy although fresh water or cologne serves just as well.

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Put the food on HOT plates and cover them - even carrying them the short distance upstairs cools them quickly, and there is nothing more unappetising than half-cold food when you're not up to the mark.

3. Use your most attractive china and tray linen, and not uncovered trays and cracked cups and plates.

4. See that they've got a clean handkerchief under the pillow, and given them a fresh pillowcase every day... you'd be surprised what a difference this makes to their sleeping and comfort.

5. If they need sleep, don't let the sun or a bright light fall direct on to their face.

6. Leave a glass of water or

milk beside the bed where they can reach it easily, and don't forget to cover it with a serviette or saucer.



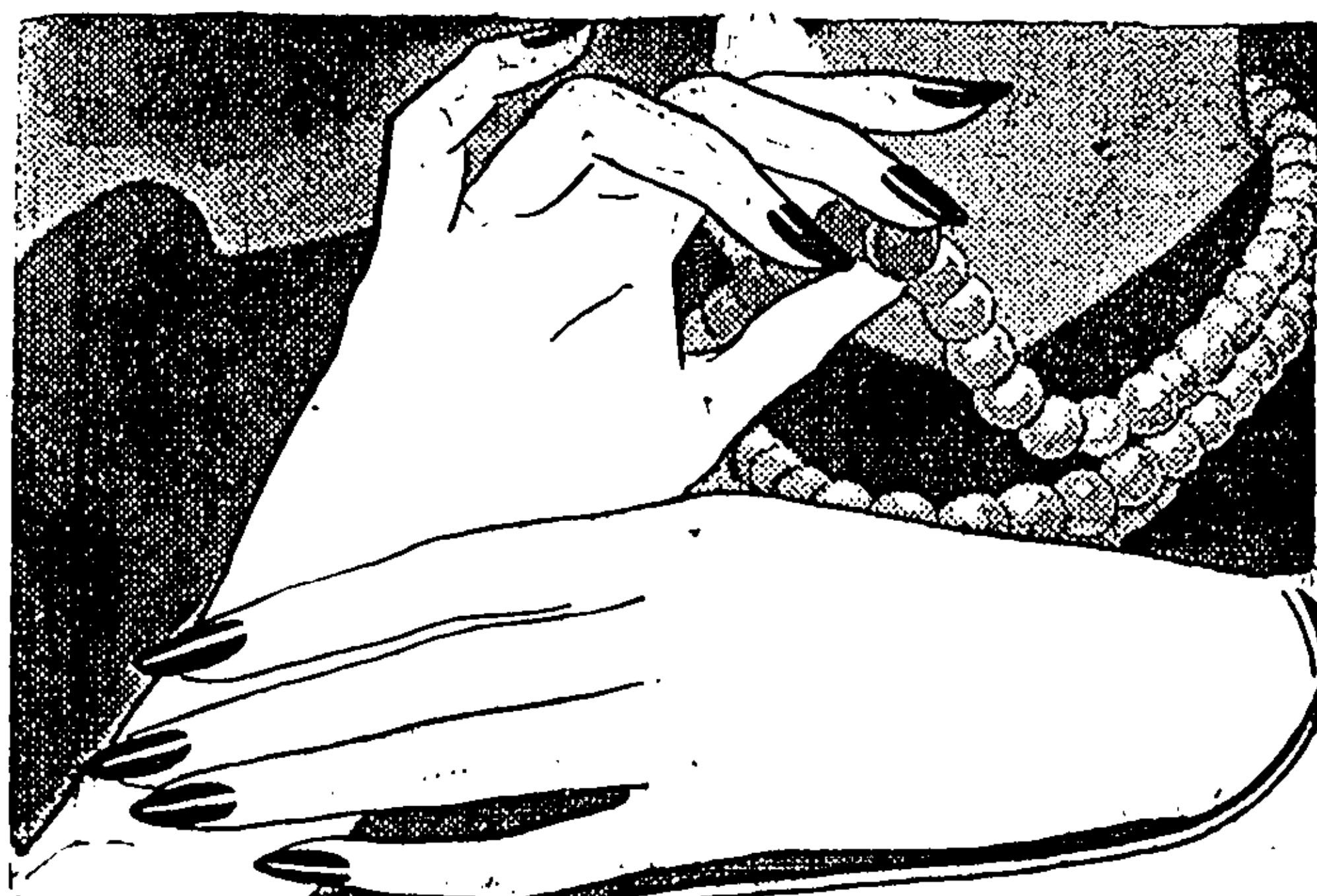
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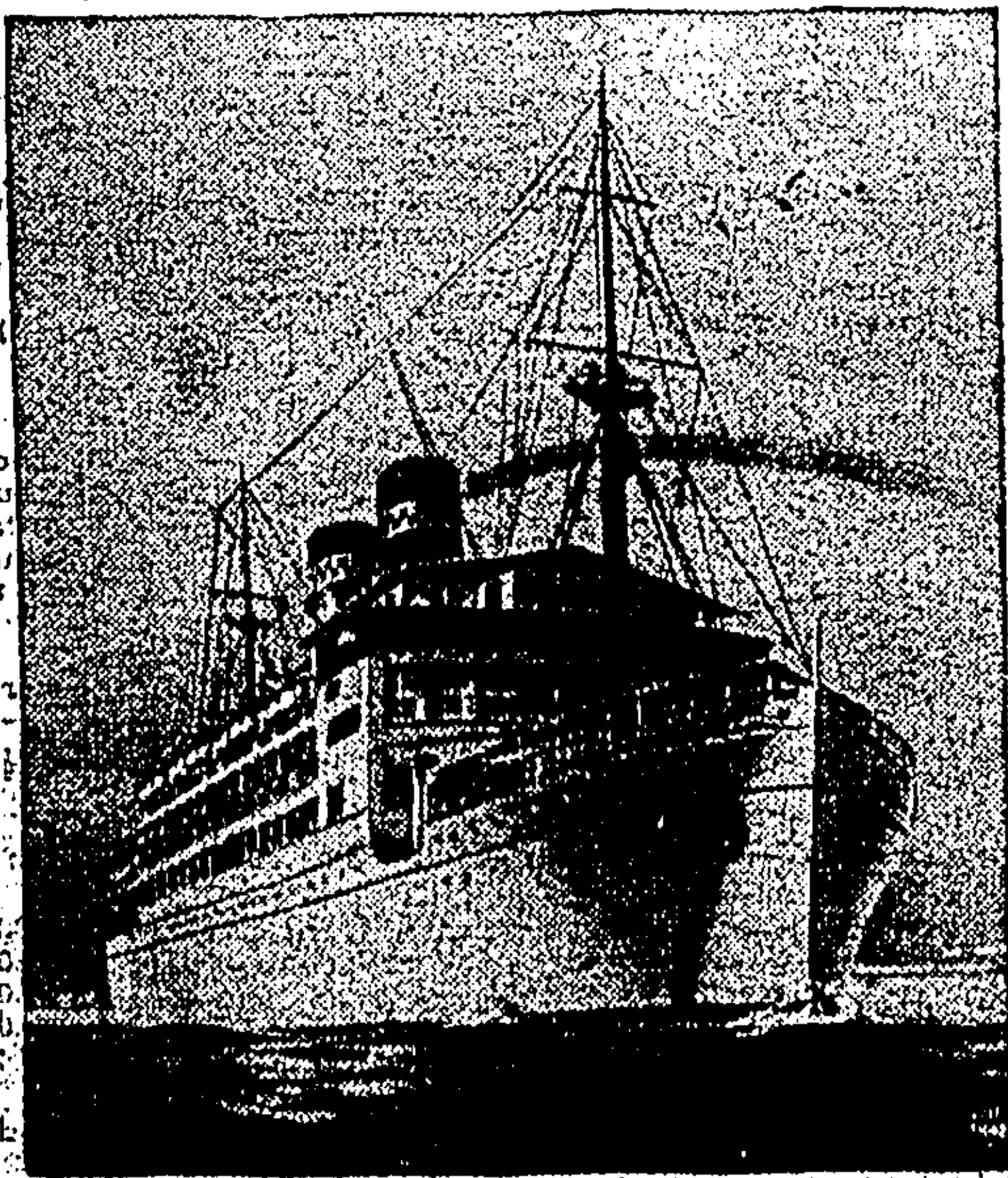
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"Baber In Arms"—I'm Just Wild  
About Harry (Sislo, Blake)... Judy  
Garland (Vocal) with Orchestra.  
"Down Argentine Way"—Two Dreams  
Met; Down Argentine Way (Warren  
—Gordon)... Oscar Rabin & his  
Band.  
"East Side Of Heaven"—That Sly Old  
Gentleman (Monaco)... Bing Cros-  
by (Vocal) with Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Pro-  
gramme Summary.  
1.02 p.m.—Dance Music.  
Fox-Trots—Smokey Mary; Cherry...  
Bob Crosby & his Orchestra.  
Tangos—Vilja Amiga; Carnaval De  
Mi Barrio... Mercedes Simone &  
her Tipica Trio.  
Fox-Trot—I Hear A Dream (Come  
Home Again); Quick-Step—Blue-  
birds In The Moonlight (from film  
"Gulliver Travels")... Jack White  
and his Collegians.  
Swing Fox-Trots—No body Knows The  
Way I Feel Dis Morning; Old Man  
Blues... Sidney Bechet & his New  
Orleans Feetwarmers.  
Waltz—When Penelope Prim Passes  
By... Lew Stone & his Band.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press  
and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Prokofiev—Peter and The  
Wolf (Orchestral Fairy Tale)... Serge  
Koussevitzky and The Boston Sym-  
phony Orchestra. Narrator: Richard  
Hale.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-  
tions.  
6.47 p.m.—"He Wanted Adventure"—  
Musical Comedy. Bobby Hovess and  
Company with Theatre Orchestra  
conducted by Joseph Tunbridge.  
7.22 p.m.—Albert Sandler (Violin) and  
his Orchestra.  
Souvenir D'Ukraine; Black Eyes—  
Russian Impression (Ferraris);  
Spanish Serenade (Johnny Hey-  
kens); La Tosca—Fantasie (Puccini  
—arr. Tavan); Down In The Forest  
(Sir L. Ronald); Estudiantina  
(Waldteufel)—Waltz; Dolores  
(Waldteufel)—Waltz; Allegro (Fio-  
co, arr. Bent & O'Neill); Pale Moon  
—Indian Love Song (Logan, arr.  
Kreisler); Sandler Minuets—Intro;  
Mozart Minuet in E Flat; Bizet  
Minuet from "L'Arlésienne"; Boc-  
cherini Minuet; Handel "Berenice"  
Minuet; Beethoven Minuet in G;  
Mozart Minuet and Trio; Diver-  
timento No. 17.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay — War Com-  
mentary.  
8.25 p.m.—London Relay — "Listening  
Post". Examination of Points in  
Daily German Propaganda.  
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
8.32 p.m.—A Light Irish Programme.  
An Irish Symphony—Scherzo (Sir H.  
Harty)... Sir Hamilton Harty con-  
ducting The Halle Orchestra.  
Kathleen Mavourneen (Mrs. J. Craw-  
ford—F. Crouch)... Richard Crooks  
(Tenor) with Orchestra.  
Londonderry Air (Sir H. Harty)...  
The Halle Orchestra cond. by Sir  
Hamilton Harty.  
A Little Irish Dash Of Dublin (from  
"Peg of Old Drury")... Anna  
Neagle (Soprano) with Orchestra.  
Rakes Of Clonmell—Jig... Frank  
Murphy (Accordion) with Piano.  
When Paddy McGinty Plays The  
Harp—Fox-Trot... Music That Wins  
by the McFarland Twins.  
Mason's Apron—Reel... Frank Mur-  
phy (Accordion) with Piano.  
What'll I Do If I Marry A Soldier...  
Music That Wins by the McFarland  
Twins.  
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-  
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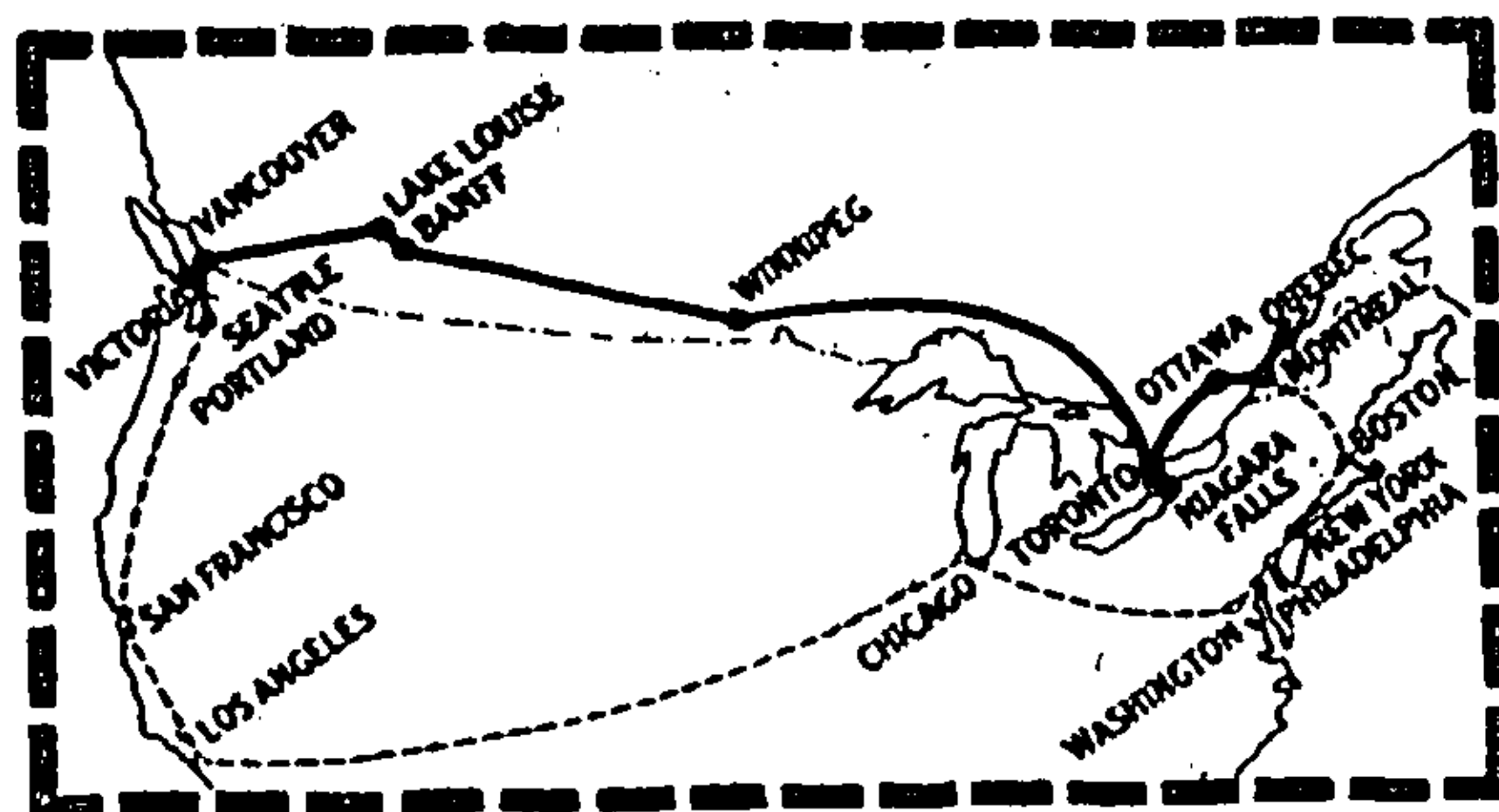
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Lamont with Orchestra.  
Fox-Trots—Aurora; The Monkey On  
A String... Vaughan Monroe & his  
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Vocal—Nobody (from film "Strike Up  
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Carroll Gibbons at the Piano.  
Fox-Trots—A Little King Without A  
Crown; The King Is Still In London  
...Joe Loss and his Orchestra.  
9.45.10.00 p.m.—News in French (on  
Short Wave only).  
9.45 p.m.—Strauss—Till's Merry Pranks.  
The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra  
cond. by Fritz Busch.  
10.00 p.m.—London—The News & News  
Commentary.  
10.15 p.m.—Studio—Our Letter From  
Free China.  
10.30 p.m.—Dellus—Sonata No. 2 and  
"In A Summer Garden".  
Sonata No. 2... Lioger Tertis (Viola)  
and George Reeves (Piano).  
In A Summer Garden... The London  
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11.00 p.m.—London—"Britain To-day".  
Discussion by Sir Frederick Whyte &  
Bernard Darwin.  
11.15 p.m.—Close down.

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## LONDON PAYS FOR A WEEK'S WAR

London has found the money, and thus confounded those pessimists who thought the objective of £100,000,000 was too optimistic.

The total of £108,732,000 at the close of banking hours at noon is an enormous sum of money. At a rough guess London, during its War Weapons Week, carried the whole cost of the war, for £100,000,000 in six days equals £6,000,000,000 a year.

The reactions have been noticed in the market. For two weeks London has relieved the Government from borrowing at short-term from the banks, and indeed, bank loans against Treasury deposit receipts have been repaid. The Government was also able to reduce by £10,000,000 the weekly issue of Treasury Bills.

Where has this money come from? Part of it was subscribed by the banks and another large portion by insurance companies and financial and industrial concerns. This money's real function was to give the lead to the public.

### Spend Less Save More

The object of the War Weapons Week was to stimulate people into

spending less and saving more. When a bank takes up War Bonds it is merely changing over some of its assets from short-term loans. Its customers' deposits and spending power remain the same. Subscriptions from insurance and other companies represent the mobilisation of past savings, such as insurance premiums and undistributed industrial profits. They do not represent new savings and new personal economy, which are the real need.

Yet they give the lead, and the effect of London's War Weapons Week will be felt for many months to come. New savings habits have been inculcated and new savings groups formed in every borough in the Metropolis. This means a voluntary reduction in personal expenditure both now and in the future, and makes it easier to switch over our vast production machine to war ends, with there being a scramble for the dwindling supply of "civilian" goods. In this way it reduces the scope for profiteering, renders it easier to share our supplies, and fosters throughout the country the will to work and the will to win. This is the real value of London's big contribution to victory.

## KEY MAN IN AIR CREWS

The advent of the giant four-engine bombers and new type flying boats, with their range of thousands of miles, has immensely increased the responsibilities of that key man of an air crew—the Air Observer.

As navigator of the "ship" the Air Observer shares equally with the pilot the job of getting the bomber or reconnaissance aircraft out and home again. Like the pilot on the bridge of a giant liner coming through dangerous and tricky waters, when he is navigating, the whole ship's company are in his charge.

Full use of the great range of the R.A.F.'s new aircraft, including such types as the Catalina which trailed the Bismarck during a non-stop flight of twenty hours, demands navigational qualities of a high order. On all questions of courses, times, routes, weather, heights, wind drift and similar vital matters, the observer is the brain of the team.

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# YOUNG WINS 220 YARDS SCHOOLS' HEAT

Swimming of a very promising standard was seen at Victoria Recreation Club last evening when the final heats for the Inter-Schools' Swimming Gala, to be held on Saturday, commencing at 5.07 p.m., were decided.

It was originally arranged that the gala should commence at 9.07 p.m. but the Committee, after further consideration, decided that it would be more convenient if the sports were held earlier in the evening.

Yesterday's results were:—

**SENIOR BOYS**  
220 Yards free-style:—Heat No. 1: 1. D. Young (St. Joseph's); 2. A. V. Lopez (La Salle); 3. A. Sandberg (La Salle). Time: 2 min. 58 sec. Heat No. 2: 1. W. Teo (St. Stephen's); 2. J. Rozario (La Salle). Time: 3 min. 12.5 sec.

Diving three-metre board:—1. Chang On (St. Stephen's); 2. B. Pomeroy (La Salle); 3. C. Whitfield (D.D.S.).

# TSUI HANG AGAIN WINS

Tsui Hang won the Open 100 Metres free-style event at the third swimming gala of South China A.A. at North Point yesterday, clocking 64 2/5 secs.

Following are the results:  
**Men's 50 Metres Breast-Stroke:**—1. A. Leung-wah; 2. Ho Pui-kan; 3. Tom Lam-sun.  
**Ladies' 100 Metres Breast-Stroke:**—1. Li Peh-er; 2. Ho Wan-mun; 3. Chu Pak.  
**Ladies' 50 Metres Back-Stroke:**—1. Li Peh-er; 2. Ho Wan-mun; 3. Ho Wan-mun.  
**Men's 100 Metres Free-Style (Open):**—1. Tsui Hang; 2. Fung Fei-wan; 3. Ching Tathung. Time: 64 2/5 secs.

# TO-DAY'S WATER POLO GAMES

Following is to-day's programme of matches in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo Tournament:

**AT NAVY POOL**  
Royal Navy "A" v Combined Small Units (5.00 p.m.)  
Royal Navy "C" v 5th A.A. R.A. (5.30 p.m.)  
**AT THE "Y" POOL**  
Royal Navy "B" v 30th Battery R.A. (6.30 p.m.)  
"Y" v 8th Coastal R.A. (7.00 p.m.)  
865th R.A. v Middlesex "B" (7.30 p.m.)  
Middlesex "A" v Royal Scots "B" (8.00 p.m.)

# VALLEY GOLF

Playing yesterday in the Second Summer Foursomes at the Valley, W. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (10) beat H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (10) 3 and 2. The winners are now in the Final, where they will meet the winners of the T. B. Low and R. K. Colings, first tournament winners, and J. M. Thomson and N. J. Booker semi-final match.

The annual Inter-Company Swimming Sports of Royal Scots for the Bower Trophy, was held at the Army Pool yesterday and resulted in Headquarters "B" winning with 31½ points. In an invitation relay race, European Y.M.C.A. beat Royal Artillery.



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Doc Molthen, who played a good game at first base for United States against India, is seen here autographing a ball for Chief Petty Officer Beck of U.S.S. Mindano after the gun-boat's last game of the season, against South China on Sunday.

# SOUTH CHINA WIN SECOND 1941 LEAGUE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

By "Incog"

**SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WON THEIR SECOND LEAGUE TENNIS TITLE IN THE COURSE OF FIVE DAYS WHEN THEY BEAT CHINESE RECREATION CLUB BY 8 SETS TO 1 AT KING'S PARK YESTERDAY TO ANNEX SECOND DIVISION HONOURS. LAST THURSDAY THEY ALSO BEAT C.R.C., IN FOURTH DIVISION, TO RETAIN THE DUNLOP SHIELD FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN SUCCESSION.**

It is interesting to note that last year South China almost carried off this honour, losing to Chinese R.C. in the play-off.

With their Third Division team virtual champions, the 1941 season will stand out as the most successful one South China has ever enjoyed in the League.

The games yesterday attracted a very large crowd to King's Park, and well was it worth the trouble too, for the games were always interesting, although one would not think so, to judge by the scores.

# No Outstanding

Outstanding player for South China yesterday was without doubt their captain, W. C. Ho, in spite of the fact that he and his partner, W. T. Lee, were the only pair to drop a set.

A left-handed player, Ho hit the ball very hard and his overhead shots, particularly, had a lot of sting in them. They dropped their set to Luk and Choy, but by that time they had already won the match, having taken all six sets by the end of the second round, and they were taking things easy—though it must be said that the C.R.C. pair deserve full marks for the determined way they took advantage of every opportunity that came their way.

Dr. S. C. Dew, despite his 50-odd Summers, was also prominent with some good tennis, but K. H. Yip, who recently created an upset at C.R.C. by beating Tsui Yung-pui in that club's tournament, was off form.

# Ho Ka-lau's Play

For South China, Luk and Choy never gave up trying, even after the game had already been lost, and both these players brought off some good ground shots. Lu Take-yeuk spoiled many a chance by being over-anxious to finish off a rally with an "uce" which, however, seldom came off.

Ho Ka-lau, formerly one of the Colony's leading lights, but now showing signs of giving way to Father Time, played a mediocre game. He but some seemingly easy returns into the net, but his judgment was still of a very high standard, particularly in regard to lobbing.

Scores were as follow:—  
K. H. Yip and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.) beat T. C. Lu and K. L. Ho 6-1  
beat K. C. Ng and O. L. Pang 6-3  
beat D. C. Luk and P. F. Choy 6-1  
W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho (S.C.A.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-2  
beat Ng and Pang 6-1  
lost to Luk and Choy 3-6  
S. C. Dew and B. Szeto (S.C.A.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-3  
beat Ng and Pang 6-1  
beat Luk and Choy 6-4

# GROUND BALLS CHIEF CONCERN OF WAKEFIELD

Dick Wakefield's early impression of American League pitching is:

"The ball comes up a little faster. There is a little more stuff on it. Pitchers are smarter. Still, the pitching doesn't look too tough."

Wakefield, the 20-year-old Michigan sophomore whom Walter O. Briggs paid \$48,000 to sign a Detroit contract, smiles ruefully and admits he has a lot to learn. "But he has the utmost confidence in his ability to hit well."

Against fast ball pitching, he's likely to make an infielder or lose the ball at any time. He tells you frankly that a good curve gives him most trouble. It is his feeling that is causing Wakefield chief concern, the handling of ground balls in particular.

Wakefield says he learned considerable working out with the Tigers, Indians, Reds and Dodgers on his unprecedented shopping tour. If he fails to

stick in the big show it won't be the fault of the Detroit players and coaches.

The youngster, especially, appreciates what Bruce Campbell is doing for him. Campbell works with the big boy each afternoon, points out mistakes.

# Veterans Help Youngster

Wakefield is the son of a ball player and that is all he ever wanted to be. His father, Howard Wakefield, who died recently, caught for Cleveland and Washington. Dick Wakefield wanted to be a catcher, too. He worked out with the Indians as one of Comiskey Park two summers ago. He reported to Fisher, the one-time Yankee pitcher coaching Michigan, as a backstop. Fisher at once recognized that the 6 foot 2, 102-pound kid belonged in the outfield. He foresaw a great left-handed hitter with speed and a strong arm. So he nipped Wakefield out from behind the pad and made a job the lad did well but not phenomenally.

# AROMIN DESPERATELY ATTEMPTS TO REVIVE INTEREST IN BOXING

By "Incog"

**ALTHOUGH THIS HUMID WEATHER IS NOT QUITE IDEAL FOR STRENUOUS SPORT, THERE ARE QUITE A NUMBER OF LOCAL SPORTSMEN WHO ARE ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO A BIG PROGRAMME FOR THE COOLER MONTHS THAT ARE TO COME.**

One such is "Sal" Aromin, the local Filipino boxer, who hasn't had a bout in ages—through no fault of his own—but who is ever on the look-out to accommodate anybody in his division in anything up to 15 rounds of boxing.

Aromin must be one of the most consistently disappointed boxers ever to have stepped ashore in Hong Kong, for since his arrival here many years ago, the number of fights he has had may easily be counted on the fingers of one hand. And the betting is that he'll then have some fingers left over too!

Due to lack of support, Hong Kong Amateur Boxing Association decided to "pack up" some years ago, and, as has often been stated, since then we have only had one or two tournaments, and they have left much to be desired.

Aromin contends that Hong Kong is much more ideally situated as the boxing centre of the Orient than Shanghai and Singapore, or the Philippines for that matter. He ventures the argument that if some enterprising sportsmen got together and formed a syndicate solely with the idea of promoting boxing, all the best fighters in the Orient would lose no time floggering in this fragrant Isle, and he goes on to predict that there are fight fans enough to place such an undertaking on a profit-making basis.

# Andre Dupre Case

In support of his "optimism," Aromin cites the occasion when Andre Dupre, former feather-weight champion of France, accepted an invitation to fight here on the condition that he received \$1,500 "win, lose or draw." He fought and the Boxing Association were none the poorer for having had to pay out, as enough tickets were sold to cover all expenses.

The answer to the question—why doesn't boxing thrive here?—probably lies in the fact that the Chinese are not sufficiently interested in the game.

If Aromin can persuade a few Chinese boxers of the standard of Nick Wan, of Shanghai, or David Young, the Honolulu Chinese-born boxer who only a few days ago scored a decision over Little Dado (of Manila), world flyweight champion, to come to Hong Kong, enough interest might be aroused amongst Hong Kong's Chinese sportsmen to get some of them interested in the game.

With that achieved, Aromin would have covered the first milestone on his ambitious project, but until then boxing will probably remain very much in the back-ground.



# ST. LEGER CALL-OVER

Following is the latest call-over at Victoria Club on the St. Leger, to be run on September 6 at Manchester:

Owen Tudor 11-2 t and o.  
Devonian 100-12 t and o.  
Chateau la Rose 9-1 o.  
Bakhtawar 10-1 o.  
Mazarin 100-9 o, 10-1 t.  
Sun Castle 100-7 o.  
Royalist 100-7 o.  
Orthodox 100-7 o.  
Thoroughfare 100-6 o.  
Ptolemy 100-6 o.  
Starwort 100-6 o.  
Fireziding 20-1 o.  
Dancing Time 20-1 o.  
Lambert Sinner 20-1 o.  
Fettes 23-1 o.  
Turkana 33-1 o.  
Camperdown 40-1 o.  
Royal Academy 40-1 o.  
Sollum 40-1 o.  
Cuerdley 40-1 o.  
Fellous 60-1 o.

—Reuter.

# WHEN RUNS COUNTED COBB WAS THERE

Here are a few more reminiscences concerning Ty Cobb, who Jimmy Foxe rated better than Babe Ruth in a baseball article in last Thursday's "China Mail."

He was the first to pull and bunt and run. Rossman, the old Tiger first baseman, was the best bunter of his day. One afternoon Ty said to him: "If I get on, bunt the first and I'll go around to third." They worked it many times.

"Cobb was always setting up plays," Moe continued. "He'd do certain things every day for a couple of months, then would catch the other side napping by doing just the opposite in August when those wins counted most. 'For example, he'd hit an ordinary single to the outfield, take a wide turn of first base and trot leisurely back while the fielder was lobbing the ball into second base. He'd keep doing it. Then, later in the year when the run meant the game and a win meant higher notch in the race, Ty would start the same play, but instead of trotting back to first as the fielder tossed easily to the second baseman, he'd be off for second like a flash and be in scoring position with the big run. He'd get up the same play on a double and later take that extra base to third. 'He set up a play on Hal Chase, a great defensive first baseman.' Moe went on. 'Every time Ty would get to third, he'd round the bag by a couple of yards. And each time Chase would get the ball, toss quickly to the third baseman and almost catch Ty before he could get back. One day, Cobb drew the throw, but instead of diving back, kept on going and scored the winning run.'"



# AMERICA FACES LEANEST TENNIS SEASON IN COURSE OF 20 YEARS

America is witnessing the first tournaments in what may be its leanest tennis season for more than 20 years.

The war has prevented the usual influx of international talent which made the amateur game so attractive, and made some inroads in the ranks of native players as well, since a number of promising younger players have taken places in the armed forces. With Davis Cup competition in abeyance until the war's end, a prime incentive for the younger players is lost and some of the most interesting competitions cancelled.

## U.S. BLANK INDIA IN INTERNATIONAL

By "Referee"

IN AN INTERESTING BASEBALL GAME AT CHATHAM ROAD YESTERDAY UNITED STATES QUALIFIED TO MEET PORTUGAL, HOLDERS, ON SATURDAY WHEN THEY DEFEATED INDIA BY 7 RUNS TO NIL.

India gave a good display in view of the fact that several of their players had not played this season. Their fielding was, on the whole, good but they could not do much against the pitching of Pawloski, who was backed by an excellent field.

O. el Arculli pitched the whole distance for India and his deliveries appeared slow, though the Americans could not connect properly. Hussain was the outstanding fielder for India and was safe with everything that came his way. He was prominent with a number of good catches at centre field.

### U.S. Battery Good

Hamet covered the initial sack well, while Razack did creditably in his first attempt behind the plate. Pawloski and Mascavage formed the United States battery and worked the whole distance. Pawloski had the Indian batters in difficulties often, while Mascavage's strong arm gave the Indian base runners little chance to do any pilfering.

Molthen and Waggoner played one of their best games for a long time. The latter was unfortunate to be out at third when attempting to stretch a good two-bagger in the fifth inning.

### Opportunity Lost

After blanking India in the first inning, America opened the scoring through Pawloski on a bad throw by Hamet to M. el Arculli.

Batting for the second time India had bases full with one down, but they failed to score. O. el Arculli was out at the home plate on a forced play and Mascavage retired the side when he brought off a neat one-handed catch off Razack in foul territory.

The third inning was featured by a good catch at left field by Nazarin and a neat double play by Kitchell, Bux and M. el Arculli to put out Pawloski and McKenzie.

Hamet reached first base on a walk to advance Kitchell, who had registered a hit. But even with none down India could not break into the scoring column. Razack was caught by Mascavage, while Bux was out to an infield fly. Waggoner did well to catch a fly from Nazarin.

### The Expensive Sixth

The sixth inning proved expensive for India. With bases loaded Pawloski clouted a three-bagger and was brought in on an error for America to score four runs in that inning.

India still made an effort to score. Hamet was struck out, and Razack's hit to left field was well held by McKenzie. Bux bunted but Kitchell, who had taken too big a lead, could not return to third base in time, a throw by

## TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Following is to-day's programme of matches in Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship:

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club  
L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v. A. J. Kew and Y. H. Tang.  
At Kowloon Cricket Club  
H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (holders) v. J. V. Ramsey and R. Morrison.

At Police Recreation Club  
A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v. J. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom.  
At Craigengower Cricket Club  
H. R. Pinna and B. Baslo v. E. G. Post and W. Cameron.

## BASEBALL SCHOOL PROGRESS

By "Grandstand"

"Grandpa" Leung's baseball school is proving a tremendous success and the "grand old man" has hopes of displaying his pupils' progress with an exhibition game at Railway Corner this season, between two picked teams from the cream of his disciples.

Take a stroll down to sun-baked Caroline Hill any afternoon, and you will see the diamond maestro in one of his coaching sessions. Talk about keenness, you couldn't drag any one of the players away from their practices, with a team of mules, for the maestro has injected a new spirit into his followers—youngsters who must take the place of the diamond heroes who have been enjoying the roars of the baseball mobs for the past decade, for though these diamond satellites are still glittering brightly, and may do so for many more years, yet, the time must come for them to hang up their gloves.

When that time comes, these youngsters will be ready to step into their shoes. Here, the accent is on youth—"Here's more power to you, Grandpa."

"Grandpa" Leung also has one of the strongest Chinese sides seen for a long time, and chances are very bright for them to cop the international honours this season, especially with Wally Ching paired together with his former battery mate Nip Lum. Most of the Chung Hwa players are included in the line-up whilst Nelson Ma, Hal and Cecil Winglee from South China might make the team.

Nothing much has been heard of Sarge Welford's Great Britain team, but you can trust old Welly to round up a team when the time comes for a show-down. Great Britain has been drawn to meet China next week, the winner of the tussle going into the Final.

William T. Tilden in five sets. Tilden is still the stroke master, as he displayed in the first two sets, when his cannonball service and tremendous forehand drives kept the former British star at the baseline. But Tilden at 48 has not the stamina of the Tilden of ten years ago, and he was at Fred's mercy in the last three sessions of the match. Richard Skeen, Vincent Richards, Lester Stofen and Keith Gledhill were others in this round-robin, and the crowds seemed greatly pleased by their efforts.

## TENNIS STARS INVARIABLY ARE GOOD GOLFERS

With the name of Jack Crawford, Australia's most famous tennis player, coming into golf news, there arises a thought of the strangeness that golf and tennis should go together. One is a still ball game while the other is a sport in which the ball, which in play, is always on the move.

Billiards players have been known to favour golf but here we have two still ball games by which, of course, it is meant that the ball is stationary while the player prepares to bring it into play. Hockey and cricket are "go together" games and many club cricketers use hockey for their winter relaxation—at least they did in pre-war days—but there is a case of two moving ball games.

The delicate touch needed in billiards has its similarity in golf, with the care needed in putting, but golf and tennis seem to hold no similarities unless it be the hard drive, though that is executed in a different way in the two games.

### Crawford's Success

However, this does not prevent devotees of the one playing the other. Crawford won the New Metropolitan golf tournament in Sydney, this being his second success at the Royal and Ancient game, although he managed to find very little time for practice, owing to his tennis engagements.

Sir Norman Brooks and Vivian McGrath are other Australian Davis Cup players who were good performers at golf; in fact, the former reached the plus mark.

### Case Of Vines

Ellsworth Vines, America's famous tennis player, took to golf a year or two ago, came to England for the championships and almost had to cancel a tennis engagement because he had anticipated in the amateur golf championship. Vines, incidentally, provides the interesting case of a man being an amateur at one sport (golf) and professional at another (tennis).

Perhaps the most famous of these tennis golfers was Andre Gobert, of France. Before the last world war he had built up a big tennis reputation, the French title of 1911 falling to him and he won this again in 1920. Then, his prowess as a golfer came to light and he won the French golf championship in 1927 apart from reaching the semi-final of the French Open amateur championship on two occasions.

### Sports Go Together

They are just a few instances, which seem to suggest that golf and tennis do go together, and it has just come to mind that C. J. H. Tolley, one of the best known of British amateur golfers, was a tennis player of no mean ability who might have reached the highest honours in the court game had he not concentrated on golf.

## KEEN BASKETBALL MATCH TO-NIGHT

Judging from their previous performances, the match in the Open Basketball League between Residents' Union and National University, which is down for decision at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 8.30 p.m. to-night, should be an interesting and evenly contested one.

In the curtain raiser, at 7.30 p.m., South China should have no difficulty in obtaining both points from their opponents, Youths.

## TO-DAY'S LEAGUE TENNIS

Following is to-day's Tennis League programme and some of the teams:—

First Division:—C.D.R. v. S.C.A.A. C.R.C. v. K.C.C.; H.K.U.T.C. v. I.R.C.  
Third Division:—C.D.R. v. K.I.T.C.; A.T.C. v. C.R.C. (2); K.T.G.C.A. v. K.C.C.; C.R.C. (1) v. I.R.C.

### FIRST DIVISION

Club de Recreio:—H. A. Barros and W. A. Reed; A. V. Remedios and J. F. Goncalves; J. J. Remedios and J. B. Goncalves.

Indian Recreation Club:—S. A. and O. Rumjahn; A. H. Madar and H. D. Rumjahn; A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack.

### THIRD DIVISION

K.C.C.:—D. H. Hazell and B. G. Baker; D. Llewellyn and N. Bebbington; K. Kloss and A. N. Other.

Club de Recreio:—H. F. Goncalves and A. E. Noronha; H. A. and G. A. Noronha; F. J. Remedios and A. M. Silva.

K.I.T.C.:—S. A. and S. S. Hussain; Dr. M. Singh and Dr. S. A. Sepher; Dr. Ramzan and K. S. Mehra; Army:—Emmerson and Duffield; Webb and Denyer; Murray and Megson.

The outstanding newcomer in the early tournaments has been a lad from Ecuador, South America, Francisco Segura. He is a player of great promise and with more experience may gain a place at the top of the world's amateurs.

He attained recognition early with victories over Ladislav Hecht, formerly of the Czechoslovak Davis Cup team, and Frank Bowden, only recently one of the outstanding college stars. He won the Brooklyn (New York) tournament, and reached the final of the competition at the Orange (New Jersey) club, only to be defeated by Sidney B. Wood, a former Wimbledon champion and well-known as a member of American Davis Cup teams.

### Wood In Form

Wood's participation in the early season competitions indicates that he plans a full campaign, probably through the national championships. Frank Kovacs, who fared so well in the Winter tournaments in California and Florida, and Bobby Riggs whom McNeill dethroned, must be reckoned with in any discussion of national competition. Next to McNeill, they are the best on the basis of last year's play.

With Miss Alice Marble gone from the women's amateur ranks to the professional group, there is no player that stands out. Miss Helen Hull Jacobs former champion, is back in the lists again, and if she continues through the season, undoubtedly will be the one to beat for the title. Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke, Miss Helen Pedersen, Miss Virginia Wolfenden, and the usual fine group from the Pacific Coast all will be seen in action.

### Professional Boom

The situation has one bright side—the increasing importance of professional tennis—as public interests in their contests grows. An instance of the popularity of the professional game was seen recently in the national professional championship tournament at Chicago and at Forest Hills for the "world championship." The latter, played in the interest of British war relief, drew all the leading players, and in three days of competition they attracted 15,000 spectators.

Fred Perry, now an American citizen, won both at Chicago and Forest Hills, defeating Donald Budge in straight sets, in the latter, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3. This established Perry as the head man in world tennis again. Wonderfully fit, as always, Perry had all his marvellous strokes at command.

### Coming Events Cast . . .

Perry had served notice of his intentions on the previous day in defeating

## TRANSPORT MINISTER SHOWS LONDON CLUBS IN RIGHT

In view of the expulsion of Arsenal, Chelsea, Brentford, Tottenham, Aldershot, Brighton, Reading, Watford and seven other southern clubs from the Football League because of their refusal to play fixtures laid down by the League on the grounds of excessive travelling, the following report from London, dated August 8, throws an interesting light on the subject.

Mascavage catching him with the wrong foot forward.

| UNITED STATES | R. | H. | E. |
|---------------|----|----|----|
| E. Wilson     | 2  | 1  | 0  |
| Pawloski      | 1  | 2  | 1  |
| McKenzie      | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Mascavage     | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Moore         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Waggoner      | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Molthen       | 1  | 1  | 0  |
| R. Wilson     | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Bowersox      | 2  | 0  | 0  |
| Elder         | 1  | 0  | 0  |
|               | 7  | 6  | 1  |

| INDIA         | R. | H. | E. |
|---------------|----|----|----|
| Bux           | 0  | 0  | 1  |
| Nazarin       | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Bakar         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| M. R. Abbas   | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| O. el Arculli | 0  | 1  | 1  |
| Hussain       | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Hamet         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Kitchell      | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Razack        | 0  | 0  | 0  |
|               | 0  | 3  | 2  |

Struck out:—Pawloski 4, O. el Arculli 6.  
Base on ball:—Pawloski 2, Arculli 3.

London's football upset following London clubs' breakaway from the League, which thereupon retired the clubs from membership, had a parliamentary echo when Mr. Joseph Holmes, Liberal National member for the Harwich Division of Essex, asked the Transport Minister if his attention had been called to the matter, stressing the point that the League demanded a programme entailing 9,000 miles of travelling whereas the Londoners' arrangements meant only 3,000 miles; also whether action could be taken limiting the amount of travel by clubs during the coming season.

Colonel Llewellyn, in a written reply, said there had been no consultation by the Football League as to their programme, but "I should like to take this opportunity of warning all concerned that facilities cannot be given for unnecessarily long journeys and that while the Government are anxious that a reasonable amount of recreation be available, travel of workers and transport of war materials must come first and will not be allowed to be impeded."

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# HALF ENEMY CONVOY SUNK

Fleet Air Arm Scores Great Success

## Tomahawks In Action Off Egypt

STOP PRESS

### JOE LOUIS DIVORCE SUIT DROPPED

While the divorce suit hearing was proceeding in Chicago yesterday, Joe Louis suddenly announced that he and his wife were ready to patch up their marital difficulties and forget about the divorce suit. —Reuter.

### INDIA'S DEFENCE COUNCIL

Mr. L. S. AMERY, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INDIA, MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT YESTERDAY REGARDING THE RECENT INVITATION TO INDIAN PROVINCIAL PREMIERS TO JOIN INDIA'S NEWLY CONSTITUTED NATIONAL DEFENCE COUNCIL:—

"The Prime Ministers of all provinces in which the working of the constitution has been interrupted were invited by the Viceroy to join the National Defence Council in their capacity as Prime Ministers and regardless of their personal party or communal affiliations." — Reuter.

**HALF OF AN ENEMY CONVOY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN WAS SUNK, BEACHED OR SET ON FIRE AS A RESULT OF AN ATTACK BY THE FLEET AIR ARM ON SUNDAY NIGHT.**

A communique from R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East yesterday revealed that Swordfish aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm carried out a highly successful attack on an enemy convoy consisting of five large merchant-vessels and a tanker escorted by six destroyers in the central Mediterranean.

One vessel, of 6,000 tons, was hit by a torpedo and sank after two hours. The tanker was also hit by a torpedo and a violent explosion followed.

Aircraft which shadowed the remainder of the convoy, reported later that the tanker was still on fire and had stopped.

Scenes of considerable confusion were taking place, A.A. guns being fired in all directions without any definite target.

A second merchantman was then torpedoed and reconnaissance the following day showed that it had been beached at Lampedusa Island.

#### Again Attacked

The ship was there attacked by Blenheims of the R.A.F. and a direct hit with a heavy bomb set it on fire, with volumes of black smoke pouring from it.

In Libya, heavy R.A.F. bombers raided Benghazi and Tripoli during the night of August 17/18th.

At Benghazi, the harbour and shipping were attacked. Bombs were seen to burst on the bases of Juliana, the Cathedral and Central Moles and on railway sidings. An explosion and several fires resulted.

At Tripoli, the harbour was bombed. Hits on the Spanish Mole and Fort caused a number of explosions.

#### Tomahawks In Action

An attempt by a large force of Messerschmitt 109's and 110's to attack shipping off the Egyptian coast on Monday was foiled by R.A.F. Tomahawk fighters which gave combat to the 109's and compelled the 110's to drop their bombs some miles from the target.

In the Wolcheft, Deaarech and Gondar areas of Abyssinia, R.A.F. and South African aircraft have been cooperating in machine-gunning and bombing enemy positions.

Direct hits were scored on huts and buildings and Fascist headquarters was destroyed. A number of fires was started. Operating off Malta a Hurricane aircraft intercepted and shot down a Caproni seaplane.

From all these operations two aircraft are missing. — Reuter.

## Syria Hostages

Fifteen of the Vichy officers detained in Jerusalem have been released and have returned to Syria, where they are awaiting repatriation.

They are all of very junior rank. Their release follows the return from France of a party of 51 British officers and other ranks.

It is understood that General Dentz and the senior officers with him will be held until all the British captured in Syria and taken to France are released. — Reuter.

### GERMANS ARRESTED IN BURMA

FIVE GERMANS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE ESCAPED FROM THE FRENCH FOREIGN LEGION IN INDO-CHINA HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AT VICTORIA POINT, IN BRITISH TERRITORY, IN BURMA.

They have been brought to Rangoon under a police escort and detained. — Reuter.

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## Japanese Doing Wishful Thinking

HEAVY  
RAID ON  
REICH

An Air Ministry communique dealing with R.A.F. night activity states: "Cologne and Duisburg were again attacked by aircraft of the Bomber Command on Monday night.

The weather was fine and a great number of heavy bombs were seen to burst in both towns. Many large fires were left blazing.

Another force effectively bombed the docks at Dunkirk.

Eight of our aircraft are missing.

Fighter Command aircraft on offensive patrol attacked enemy airfields in occupied territory during the night."

Once more the Germans appear to have brought up new defences for the Ruhr and Rhineland, the Air Ministry news service states in describing the R.A.F. attack. One bomber over Cologne was

Facts Behind  
Barter Plan ReportSUBMARINE  
CACHALOT  
LOST

The Admiralty in London announced last evening that the submarine "Cachalot" (1,520 tons) commanded by Lt. H. R. B. Newton, D.S.C., is overdue and must be considered lost.

Enemy broadcasts seem to indicate that the entire company of "Cachalot" have been rescued and are prisoners of war. — Reuter.

THE FOLLOWING AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT WAS ISSUED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT ON REPORTS OF A BARTER TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BRITAIN AND JAPAN:—

"Rumours of negotiations for a barter trade agreement between Great Britain and Japan seem to have risen out of a communication to the Yokohama Specie Bank of information as to banking machinery which they would be permitted to use in connection with any movement of goods which might, exceptionally, be licensed in future.

"The position is that in order to ensure that the effect of the freezing order will be fully maintained, frozen funds will not be released to finance exports to Japan.

"Arrangements are, however, being made to secure that if in any particularly case it is decided to license imports, payments for such licensed imports will be made to clearing account, the balance on which will be available only to pay for licensed exports.

## Strict Limit

"Export licences will be granted for approved goods only within the limit of funds available on clearing account.

"Similar arrangements are being made in other parts of the Empire.

"Maintenance of diplomatic and consular representation will be financed in a similar way." — Reuter.

Japanese Wishful  
Thinking

There is no confirmation in authoritative circles in London of reports emanating from Japanese sources that trade negotiations either have been or are about to open between Japan, Britain and the N.E.I.

The stories probably owe their origin to Japanese wishful thinking but have no foundation in fact.

It may be recalled that M. van Maak, the Netherlands plenipotentiary who had been conducting the negotiations with Japan, resigned about a fortnight ago on his functions coming to an end and has not been replaced. — Reuter.

FURTHER  
DENIAL OF  
DEMANDS

Foreign press reports that Japan has presented various demands to Thailand and has fixed an eight-day time limit were denied in a communique broadcast over Bangkok radio last night.

THE COMMUNIQUE REVEALS THAT THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY CALLED ON THE THAI PREMIER TO DENY THESE REPORTS.

Besides denying the reports the communique reaffirms that Japanese-Thai relations are unchanged. — Reuter.

CHANNEL  
AIR WAR

LATER OFFICIAL REPORTS DISCLOSED THAT THREE BRITISH BOMBERS AND 12 FIGHTERS WERE LOST DURING EXTENSIVE OPERATIONS OVER THE CHANNEL AND NORTHERN FRANCE YESTERDAY.

Coastal shipping off Ostend and off the Dutch coast, and targets at Hazebrouck, were among the objectives of the raid.

Twelve enemy fighters were destroyed. — Reuter.

Soviet  
Raid On  
Berlin

Soviet planes raided the Berlin area on Monday night, according to Moscow radio.

Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military and industrial objectives in Berlin, where fires and explosions were observed.

All the Soviet planes returned safely to base. — Reuter.

Credits  
To Soviet

The question of United States credits to Russia was raised at a press conference held in Washington yesterday by the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, according to a Washington despatch to the Dow Jones Agency.

Mr. Hull conceded the difficulty of Russia paying the spot for more than \$40 millions worth of materials since the Soviet Union only had that amount in the U.S.

He recalled, however, that Russia had stated that all purchases would be paid for and said that the question of extending credits to Russia was up to the Secretary of Treasury and the Federal Loan Administrator.

As against only \$40 millions held by Russia in the U.S., Soviet requests for equipment are put as high as over \$1,000,000,000 by some reports. — Reuter.

Business  
Lunch

Lord Beaverbrook, lunched with President Roosevelt and Mr. Harry Hopkins in Washington yesterday.

It is presumed they discussed expediting the flow of war supplies to Britain and possibly aid to Soviet Russia. — Reuter.

SURVEY OF  
1943 WAR  
NEEDS

The war would continue through 1943 if necessary and Britain and the United States would make a survey of needs and production through that year, stated President Roosevelt yesterday.

The President told his press conference that the war was one of the subjects discussed at his luncheon meeting with Lord Beaverbrook.

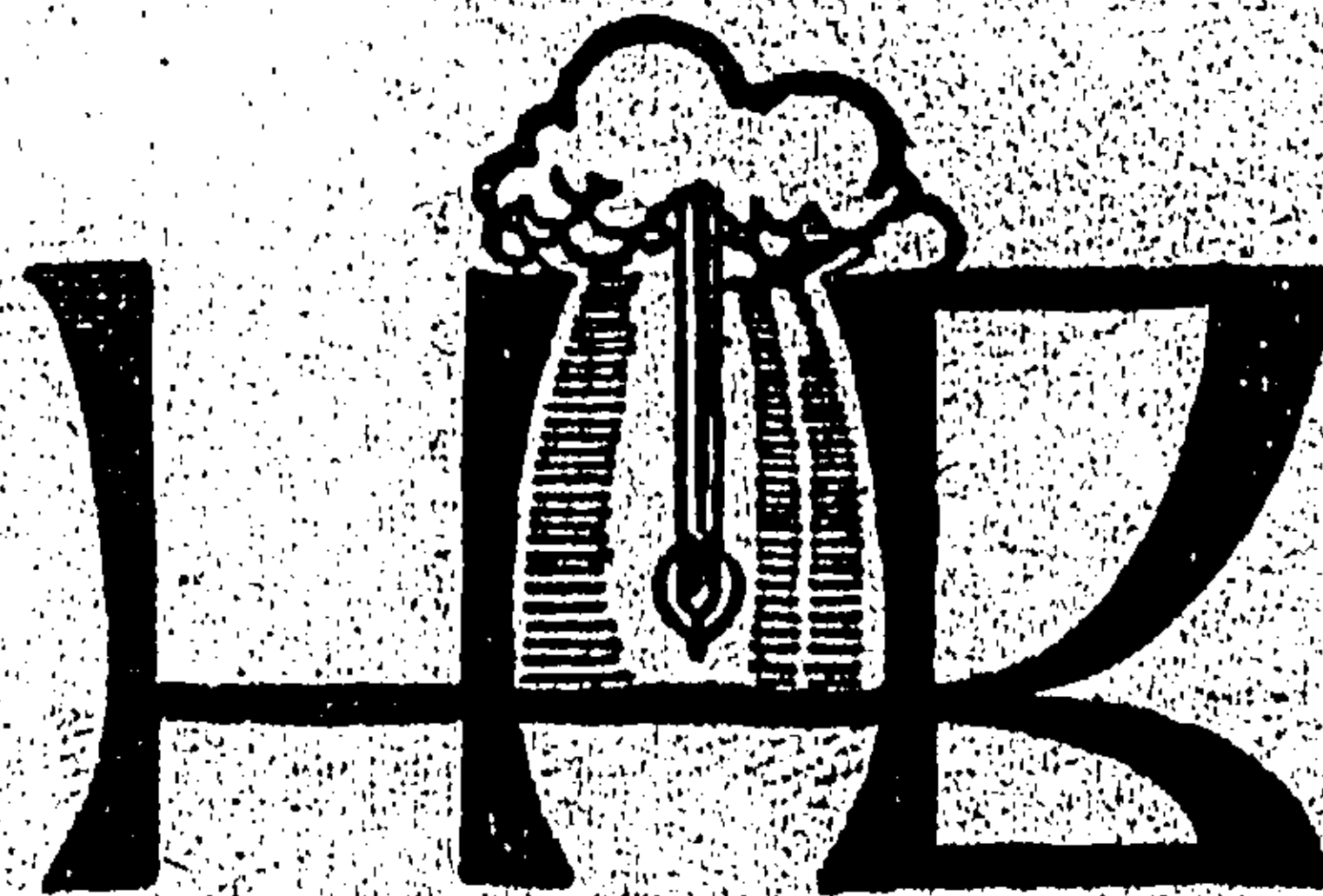
President Roosevelt told reporters he thought his conference with Mr. Churchill would result in what one newspaperman called more punch in helping the Democracies of the world. — Reuter.

Malta Gives  
Greeting

Enemy fighters which approached Malta yesterday morning had a warm reception. British fighters intercepted them and shot down three without loss to themselves, states a communique.

One fighter pilot shot down two of the enemy and one of the raiders was shot down in flames over Sicily. — Reuter.

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# Secrets Of Mr. Churchill's Historic Trip Well Kept

## DETAILS NOW BEING PIECED TOGETHER

**BIT BY BIT, THE STORY OF MR. CHURCHILL'S TOUR IS BEING PIECED TOGETHER. THE PRIME MINISTER JOINED THE TRAIN FOR THE DEPARTURE PORT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN LONDON AND THE TRAIN'S DESTINATION AND WITH HIM WERE THE CHIEFS OF THE IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF, THE NAVAL GENERAL STAFF AND THE AIR FORCE, AS WELL AS SIR ALEXANDER CADOGAN, OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE.**

### O.P.M. AND O.P.A.S. COLLIDE

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS COMMISSIONED JUDGE SAMUEL ROSEMAN, OF THE NEW YORK SUPREME COURT, TO STUDY THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT AND THE OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPLY.

The two offices have not seen eye to eye on some matters of policy—for example the proposed curtailment of motorcar production in order to make room for expanded defence output—and there has been talk of the creation of some "super-defence" agency under Vice-President Henry A. Wallace.

Judge Roseman went to Washington and offered his old friend President Roosevelt his services in any capacity while the court is in recess.—Reuter.

The party was deposited at a northern port and embarked in a destroyer, the personnel of which till that moment had no idea of the party to be conveyed.

Soon the Prime Minister and his chiefs were transferred to "Prince of Wales" on board of which there was some astonishment, but in larger measure.

Even the officers in "Prince of Wales," apart from the captain, were unaware of the journey on which they were about to embark.

They knew, however, they were taking distinguished passengers and even organised a sweepstake as to their destination.

Of many guesses made, two officers hit upon the right answer. One predicted they were taking the Prime Minister to meet President Roosevelt, the other that they were taking Mr. Harry Hopkins—who was already in "Prince of Wales"—across the Atlantic.

Both being right they shared the "bumper kitty."

#### Rough Seas

The weather at the start of the voyage was bad but Mr. Churchill was in fine fettle and appeared to enjoy the rough seas.

In such a vast ship it would take a long time to send a messenger from one part to another, and to facilitate communications, microphones were installed.

When Mr. Churchill called for his detective (Inspector Thomson) his voice could be heard booming through the ship.

After dinner several films were shown, including "Lady Hamilton," which Mr. Churchill saw for the fourth time.

When the picture ended Mr. Churchill turned to the officers and, referring to the Battle of Trafalgar scenes, said: "I thought it would interest you gentlemen, some of whom have so recently been under the fire of the enemy in a matter of equal historic importance."

"Prince of Wales," it will be remembered, took part in the chase of the Bismarck.

#### Rendezvous Reached

When the rendezvous was reached Mr. Churchill went aboard the American cruiser "Augusta" and came face to face with President Roosevelt.

He handed the President a letter from the King—then they quickly settled down to business.

Nevertheless the President found time during the day to send over a present to every man in "Prince of Wales" of a carton containing 200 cigarettes, an apple, orange, banana and half a pound of cheese—a thought which was tremendously appreciated on board the British ship.

For the greater part of the time the President and Mr. Churchill were alone and in the meantime conferences went on between the heads of Services, sometimes in the American ship and sometimes in "Prince of Wales."

#### Divine Service

Only time the President went aboard "Prince of Wales" was on Sunday when he attended Divine Service with the Prime Minister. There was not a single untoward incident during the outward journey and no sign whatever of enemy craft of any kind.—Reuter.

#### FILM OF ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

The King visited the Ministry of Information yesterday to view a private show of a newsreel depicting the meeting between President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill.

Mr. Churchill, accompanied by Mrs. Churchill, was also present.—British Wireless.

### HIGHER PAY FOR AUSSIE SERVICES

The Australian Commonwealth Cabinet has decided to increase certain rates of pay and allowances of the Australian fighting services. Amounts and exact conditions of application have not yet been decided.—Reuter.

## 'RISK' OF ATLANTIC MEETING

The sixth point in the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration made "an offensive and defensive alliance" between the two countries and involved a commitment that might take the United States into war.

This was stated by Senator Johnson in the course of a sharp debate in the Senate precipitated by a denial by Senator Barkley that the possibilities of sending a United States expeditionary force to help Britain invade the continent was either "discussed, intimated or even hinted at" at the Roosevelt conference with Congressional leaders on Monday.

Senator Clark asked Senator Barkley if it would have been an "act of war" if the British battleship "Prince of Wales" had been bombed while the President, his sons and American army and navy chiefs and other U.S. officials were aboard.

He added, did Senator Barkley think "the President deliberately put himself in a position where an act of war might have been committed?"

#### "Might Have"

Senator Barkley replied that if an enemy plane or warship had bombed or destroyed "Prince of Wales" while the President was aboard, or the "Augusta" alongside, it "might have created a situation that would have excited the American people and caused some difficulty with a foreign power."

He added the President was "willing to undergo the risk, if it was a risk," of boarding a belligerent warship in order to give the world the joint declaration that grew out of the conference.—Reuter.

## PREMIER'S VISIT TO ICELAND

Mr. Churchill's successful visit to Iceland was the subject of many leading articles in the Reykjavik press.

One daily newspaper said it was most appropriate that the smallest Democratic nation in the world should be the first visited by the British Prime Minister after his historic conference with President Roosevelt.

The Reykjavik correspondent of the Norwegian Telegraph Agency says no foreign statesman visiting Iceland had ever been so enthusiastically welcomed.

Mr. Churchill won all hearts. During the military parade a detachment from the Norwegian forces, although numerically small, attracted great attention owing to their erect bearing and hard appearance.

The Norwegian forces in Iceland consist of naval, military and air units.—Reuter.

## SINGAPORE'S "INSURANCE"

REFERRING TO THE recent arrival of the largest single convoy of Australian troops ever to be sent for the defence of Malaya, the High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, at yesterday morning's meeting of the Federal Council held in Kuala Lumpur, said:—

"The Axis propaganda would have the world believe that the people of Malaya are uneasy and afraid and that the troops in garrison are discontented and overbearing."

"Nothing is farther from the truth. I do not believe that anywhere in the world are the relations between troops and civil population more harmonious and more cordial."

"All the intense activity and all the reinforcements arriving regularly and constantly are nothing more than an insurance for peace."

"We do not seek war but we are fighting against aggressors and the spirit of aggression, and will defend ourselves if attacked."

"We happily have on our Northern border the friendly territory of Thailand, to whom we are linked by bonds of mutual regard and whose peace-loving people we wish well."—Reuter.

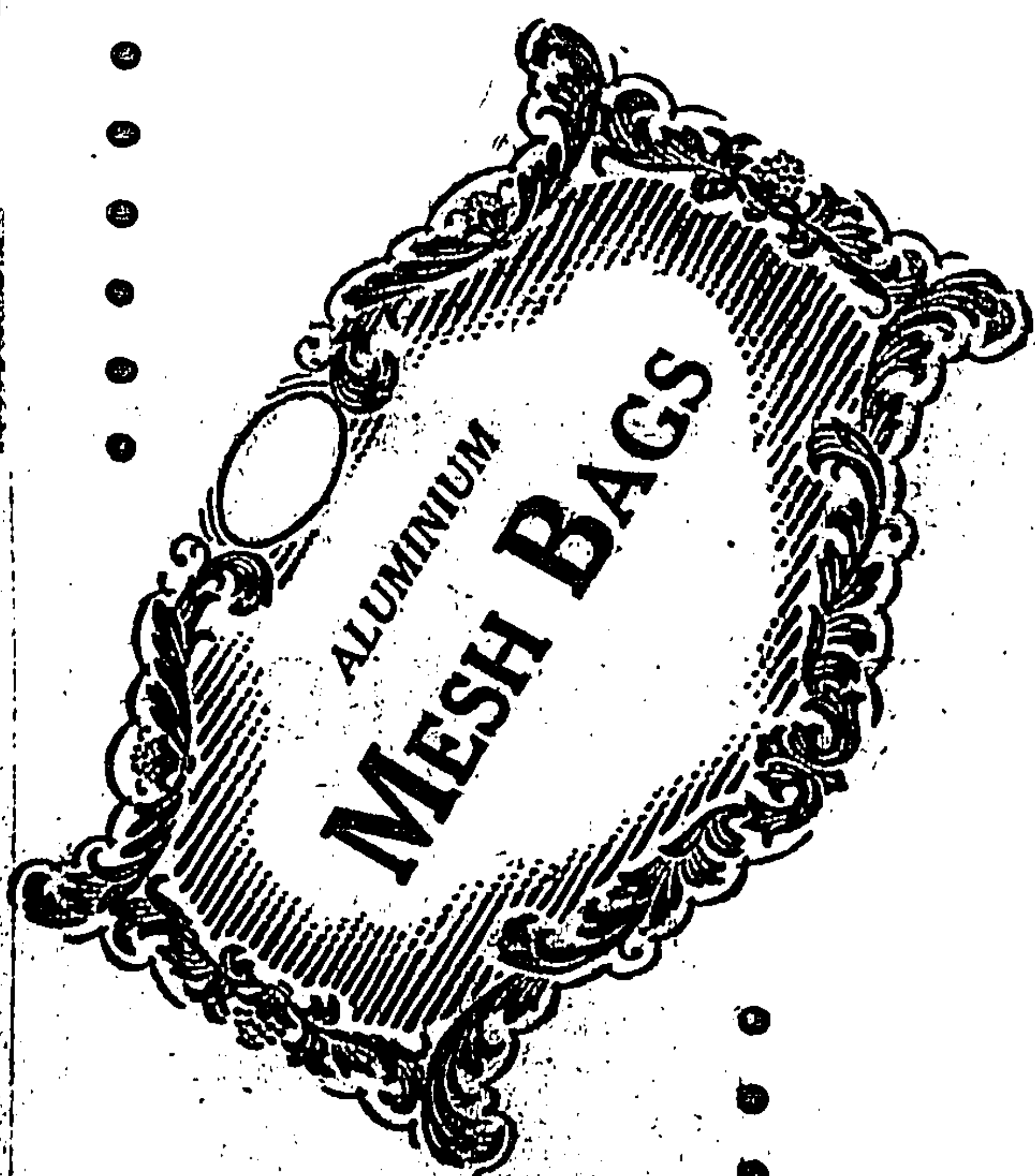
### 40 MISSING IN MANHATTAN FIRE

Latest known casualty list in the Manhattan dock fire is seven dead, 55 in hospital and about 40 missing, including longshoremen, some of whom were working in the hold of the "Panuco."

They may have escaped but failed to report themselves or they may have been burnt to death.

Damage is estimated at \$1,500,000.—Reuter.

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# AIR VIEW OF RUSSIAN WAR

## Remarkably Few Indications

### GERMAN PROTEST TO IRAN

REFERRING TO THE GERMAN PROTEST TO THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT THAT IF "GERMAN CITIZENS ARE EXPELLED," DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WOULD BE SEVERED THE "BOMBAY CHRONICLE" SAYS IT IS THESE "CITIZENS" WHO ARE THE SOURCE OF TROUBLE.

Unless German tourists and mechanics had not constituted a potential, and perhaps imminent, danger to Britain and Russia, the two countries would not have expressed their anxiety to the Iranian Government in terms savouring of a threat. — Reuter.

### Loose Fighting Over Vast Front

DESPITE THE MILLIONS OF MEN INVOLVED IT IS REMARKABLE HOW FEW SIGNS OF FIGHTING ARE VISIBLE FROM THE AIR EXCEPT AT ISOLATED POINTS, WRITES THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE ZURICH NEWSPAPER "NEUE ZUERCHER ZEITUNG," DESCRIBING A FLIGHT TO SMOLENSK.

#### FIJI GIFT TO MALTA

The Fiji War Appeals Board has voted £200 towards the Malta Relief Fund "in token of the admiration felt by one island colony for another island colony that is so splendidly withstanding the brunt of enemy air attacks in the Mediterranean." — Reuter.

This is apparently due to the loose nature of the fighting over a vastly extended front thousands of kilometres long and hundreds of kilometres deep.

Many villages are completely destroyed yet others outside the zone of fighting are untouched.

The double battle of Bialystok-Minsk left very small visible traces as war material the Russians allegedly left behind was "probably either already largely removed or largely hidden in forests."

The correspondent saw few traces of Soviet fortifications. "THE RUSSIANS INTENTIONALLY BASED THEIR DEFENCE ON THE FIRE OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS DISPOSED IN GREAT DEPTH, HIDDEN SNIPERS AND WELL-AIMED ARTILLERY EQUIPPED WITH MANY HEAVY GUNS."

"The Red Army also probably regarded tank and infantry counter-attack as one of the chief methods of defence."

#### Smolensk Havoc

Where destruction was visible, for instance at Smolensk, it is terrible. Where villages were not destroyed the Germans ordered collective farms to continue harvesting.

In other parts harvesting is impossible as the returning population find towns and farms burnt out, cannot replace lost agricultural implements and so face starvation.

In order to tackle the supply problem the Germans have shown astonishing speed in converting one track and double track railways to normal gauge.

Alternatively, they use motor transport and transport planes.

#### Billeting Problem

The quartering of soldiers presents a harder problem. Many German soldiers say they have been sleeping in tents for weeks.

With the possible start of cool weather in the northern and central sectors of the front in September, the Germans will have the task of providing quarters for whole armies in continually more advanced front sectors.

"WITH THE CONTINUING PENETRATION INTO RUSSIA, THE ADVANCING SEASON AND A SOLUTION OF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS APART FROM ACTUAL FIGHTING, WILL MORE AND MORE DETERMINE THE OUTLOOK OF THE WAR." — REUTER.

#### Vitality Important

The German thrust in the Ukraine is vitally important, according to military experts in London.

The speed of the German advance, although high, is such that no doubt our Russian allies are fighting well in the rear-guard action to the River Dnieper. The Germans have yet to reach the Dnieper in force and then cross the river.

Advance beyond it depends on Russian ability to dispose of sufficient resources to defend the five or six bridges between Kiev and the sea, to watch the river for German efforts to cross and to keep bodies of troops ready to attack any parties which succeed.

A crossing in strength would be exceedingly serious as valuable stretches of Ukrainian country would be open to them with no natural line of defence until the River Don is reached.

### DARLAN'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH NAZIS

The Deputy French Premier, Admiral Darlan, yesterday returned to Vichy from Paris where he had a series of conversations with the occupation authorities, says a Vichy despatch to the German official news agency.—Reuter.

### HURRICANE DISPLAY

THE FIRST HURRICANE FIGHTER SEEN IN AUSTRALIA IS GIVING EXHIBITION FLIGHTS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

The machine is a gift from the British Government, and was promised by the Air Minister, Sir Archibald Sinclair, to Premier Menzies during the latter's visit to England.—Reuter.

### DUKE OF WINDSOR FOR CANADA

Following the Nassau announcement that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor are preparing to go to the Duke's ranch at Calgary next month, the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, yesterday said he learned from the British Ambassador that the Duke and Duchess were planning a visit to Washington. He did not know any details, he added.—Reuter.

## DESPERATE CLASH CONTINUES IN TWO SECTORS

DESPERATE FIGHTING is proceeding in two sectors of the eastern front, in the north near Narva and in the south in the Ukraine, writes "Annalist" in London commenting on the German-Soviet military situation.

The Germans have apparently been assembling their resources for another big thrust towards Leningrad and like all offensives launched with weight and intensity it has met with some initial success.

The Russians admit they have fallen back from Kingisepp but there is no indication of any breach in their line.

Their defences increase in number and strength the nearer the front approaches to Leningrad, and if the defence yields a little ground under the pressure of numbers, the toll taken in casualties is probably so high that even the Germans must eventually find the price higher than they can afford.

It is probable that a similar offensive is being prepared at Smolensk and Kiev as it would be consistent with German traditions to exercise the maximum pressure on all points at the same time.

#### Stiff Resistance

In the Ukraine the Germans claim to have reached the lower reaches of the Dnieper but Marshal Budenny's rear-guard are putting up stiff resistance on the east of the river further north in the bend, and at no place has a crossing been forced.

It is significant that the Germans make no big claims as to captured prisoners and this would suggest that the main body of Marshal Budenny's army is still intact and will have to be reckoned with even if the Germans succeed in obtaining possession of the whole bend.

#### Remarkable Skill

The question of Russian resistance is largely a question of the reinforcements at Marshal Budenny's disposal.

He has shown remarkable skill in extricating his men from encirclement and the German thrust must be losing vigour with every mile of its progress. It is clear, however, that the High Command is "all out" for a decisive victory before the weather breaks and puts an intolerable strain on their lines of communication.

The Russians have shown astonishing skill in evading being cornered in a position from which there is no issue.

They have practised an elastic defence in most subtle form and have given ground in exchange for infliction of heavy losses.—

#### Soviet Communique

The following is the text of the Soviet midnight communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau:—

"During August 19 our troops waged battle against the enemy along the entire front, especially stubbornly in the Kingisepp, Novgorod, Gornel, and Odessa directions.

"According to information now available, on August 17, in the course of air combats, 28 German planes were brought down and not 22 as previously reported. "In the night of August 17/18 our planes bombed Ploesti. Our fliers observed large fires and explosions.

"On August 18, 30 German planes were brought down in the course of air combats. We lost 12 planes.

"In the Black Sea our bombers sank two enemy transports and set fire to another transport." — Reuter.

### NOTES TO IRAN

There has been no further Turkish press comment on the British and Russian Notes to Iran on the large numbers of Germans in Iran territory.

It is understood the Turkish Government has been kept fully informed of developments by the British and Soviet Ambassadors. — Reuter.

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# SMUTS PREDICTS NAZI SWITCH OF ATTACK TO MEDITERRANEAN

"ON THE WHOLE I bring back a happy impression both of our men and the general situation but always with this strong feeling — that we are up against it this time," declared Field-Marshal Smuts, when interviewed in Pretoria yesterday on his return from Egypt.

He said that the Germans in Libya were much more formidable than the Italians had been but he was optimistic.

Italy was full of Germans, and these had the advantage of being able to travel shorter distances to the Libyan front, but he expected these difficulties would be overcome by the Allies.

The Russian resistance was using up a large part of the German war machine but some of this machine would remain.

General Smuts added that if the Germans had failed to invade Britain a year ago, when Britain was weak, there was little likelihood of a successful attack on Britain now.

THE CHANCES WERE THAT THE GERMANS WOULD STRIKE AT THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN—THE ONLY AREA IN WHICH THEY COULD FIGHT.

## Enormous Resources

"We are facing not Italy this time but more formidable odds," said Marshal Smuts. "The Germans have enormous resources to bring against us."

He added that he had never seen South Africans in a better mood. They were among the best trained troops in the Middle East and the South African Air Force had built up an unequalled reputation.—Reuter.

## RESCUES OF PILOTS

Rescues of R.A.F. pilots are described in the Air Ministry news service account of yesterday's fighter sweep over Northern France in which eight enemy machines were destroyed.

Six R.A.F. aircraft were lost but the pilots of two are safe. Both these were rescued by the air sea rescue service.

One of these pilots is a Belgian who shot down a Messerschmitt. He climbed into his rubber dinghy when he came down in the water and was picked up an hour later.—British Wireless.

## THE PIG IN A POKE

THE "VOLKSWAGON," THE PEOPLE'S CAR FOR WHICH MILLIONS OF GERMANS PAID BUT NEVER RECEIVED, APPEARED IN CAIRO STREETS YESTERDAY FLYING THE UNION JACK ABOVE THE SWASTIKA.

The car was captured in Libya by Indian cavalry. It was fitted out as a repair vehicle.

It seats three, the engine develops nine horse-power and from its construction it is obvious it was never intended for civilian use.—Reuter.

## DIES OF WOUND

Mr. Fan Heng-teh, proprietor of the Dai Wu Tai Theatre in Shanghai, who was wounded in the lung in an attempt on his life on August 17, succumbed in the Lester Chinese Hospital at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, according to a Shanghai dispatch.—Central News.

## WAR WILL LAST YEARS

Mr. Menzies--

A warning to Australians against complacency and slacking of effort and a declaration that the war would be a task years long, was uttered by the Australian Premier, Mr. Menzies, in an address to Sydney businessmen yesterday.

Warmly praising Russia, Mr. Menzies said: "Thank God for what the Russian army has done, is doing and is going to do."

Praising Government control of prices, profits and interest rates, Mr. Menzies said this would continue after the war and was part of the new order which was being built already. He added that historically it was true that no country with a population of seven millions had undertaken as much as Australia had undertaken in this war.—Reuter.

## JAPAN'S NAVAL MISSION LEAVES

After having been six months in Germany, Japan's special naval mission is returning to Japan from Cadiz on Friday travelling via South America, says Reuter from Madrid.

## ANNA NEAGLE TO PLAY AS AMY JOHNSON

Anna Neagle, the film star, and Herbert Wilcox, the producer, have left New York by Clipper for London to make a film of the life of Amy Johnson.

Miss Neagle (says a Reuter telegram from New York) is travelling under the name of Florence Marjorie Robertson.

## BRITISH AIR POWER

Announcement that British bombers over Germany frequently number over 300 nightly, and publication of the figures of bombs dropped in three weeks over the Ruhr, Cologne and Hamburg, have impressed Turkish public opinion as never before with Britain's air might.

It has also done much to remove the misleading impression created by German communiques when they speak about "isolated British aircraft," and so on.—Reuter.

## KIEV MESSAGE TO BRITISH WOMEN

According to messages received in London a large meeting of women in the Ukrainian capital, Kiev, yesterday drafted a reply to a message from the women of Birmingham, in which the following sentence appeared: "Hand in hand with you we are participating in a holy war against death-dealing Fascism."—British Wireless.

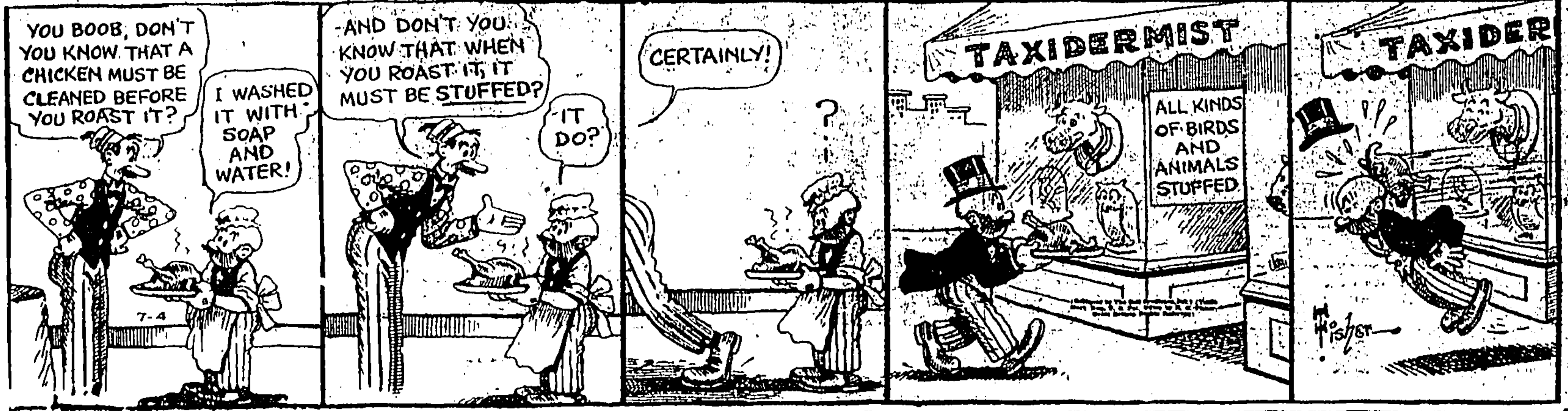
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## AMERICA URGED TO ENTER CONFLICT

A call to abandon the "defend America" and "aid Britain" slogans and adopt a policy of full participation with Britain to defeat Nazism, was recently cabled from London to New York by Mr. Everts Scudder, liaison officer of the Committee to Defend America.

### PAPIER MACHE SPLINTS FOR RED CROSS

Model splints of a new type, to fit whole limbs or various sections of the body, in papier mache, and the tin moulds in which they are made, attracted interest at the first annual meeting of the Red Cross Papier Mache Auxiliary in Sydney, Australia.

Miss L. E. Armstrong, honorary director and founder of the group, explained that the splints are needed for a new technique in treating wounds, and that they were used with great success in the south of France last year. They were made there by Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. B. Long, who, before his retirement, was in the Irish Guards, and he has brought some models with him to Australia. They were approved by Major-General F. A. Maguire, director of medical services and president of the papier mache

The National Director of the Committee replied: "Our programme urges full participation to win the war and organise the peace."

"We will only have the right to a vigorous voice in the establishment of world justice if we are willing to make a contribution, whatever the sacrifice, to winning the war."

Mr. Scudder declared the Committee reaches 15,000,000 Americans and has never been so full of life. -Reuter.

auxiliary, and he has asked the members to make large quantities of them for the Red Cross.

#### Work Commended

The deputy president, Dr. Graham Drew, presided at the meeting, at which all the office-bearers were re-elected, and several letters were read stating that the Red Cross and military authorities are very satisfied with the papier mache hospital equipment which has been made during the year and used on transports, in camp hospitals, and general hospitals in Australia abroad.

### NAZIS FLEE FROM R.A.F. FIGHTERS

British fighters broke up a German fighter patrol trying to cross the south-east coast the other morning. There was a running battle high above the heat haze. Machine-gun and cannon fire were heard for several minutes, and then the enemy fled seaward.

### BRITAIN'S DEAD IN AIR RAIDS

The Ministry of Home Security announces the following figures of civilian casualties due to air raids on the United Kingdom during April:—

Killed, 6,065; injured and detained in hospital, 6,926.

The killed are classified: Men, 2,912; women, 2,418; children under 16, 680; unclassified, 55.

The injured are classified: Men, 3,659; women, 2,748; children under 16, 519.

In addition, 61 (48 men, 6 women, and 7 children) are missing and believed killed.

#### Comparative Figures

Comparative figures are:—  
March: Killed, 4,259; injured and detained in hospital, 5,557.

February: Killed, 789; injured and detained in hospital, 1,068.

January: Killed, 1,502; injured and detained in hospital, 2,012.

Figures for the four preceding months were:—

September: Killed, 6,954; injured, 10,615.

October: Killed, 6,334; injured, 8,695.

November: Killed, 4,588; injured, 6,202.

December: Killed, 3,793; injured, 5,202.

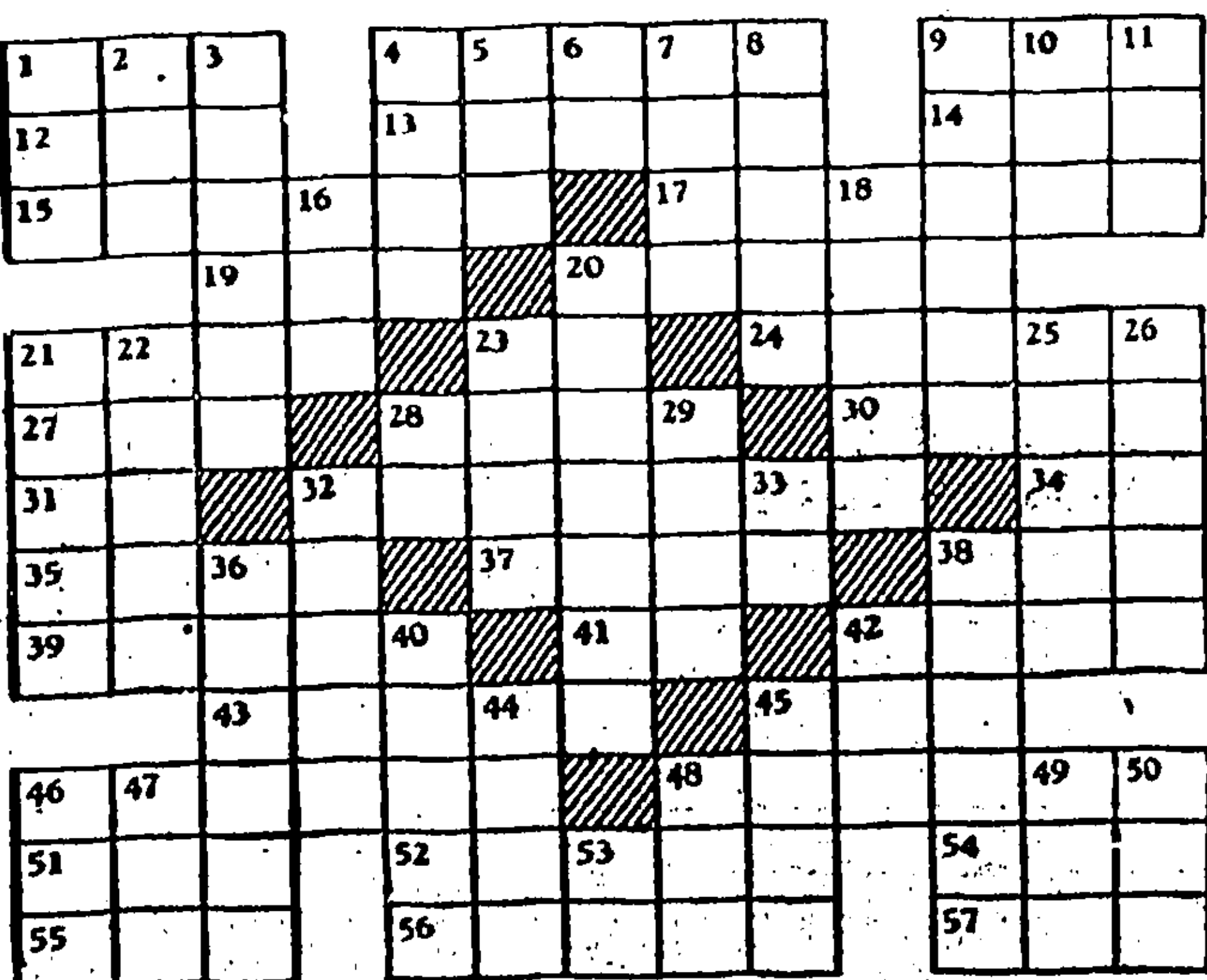
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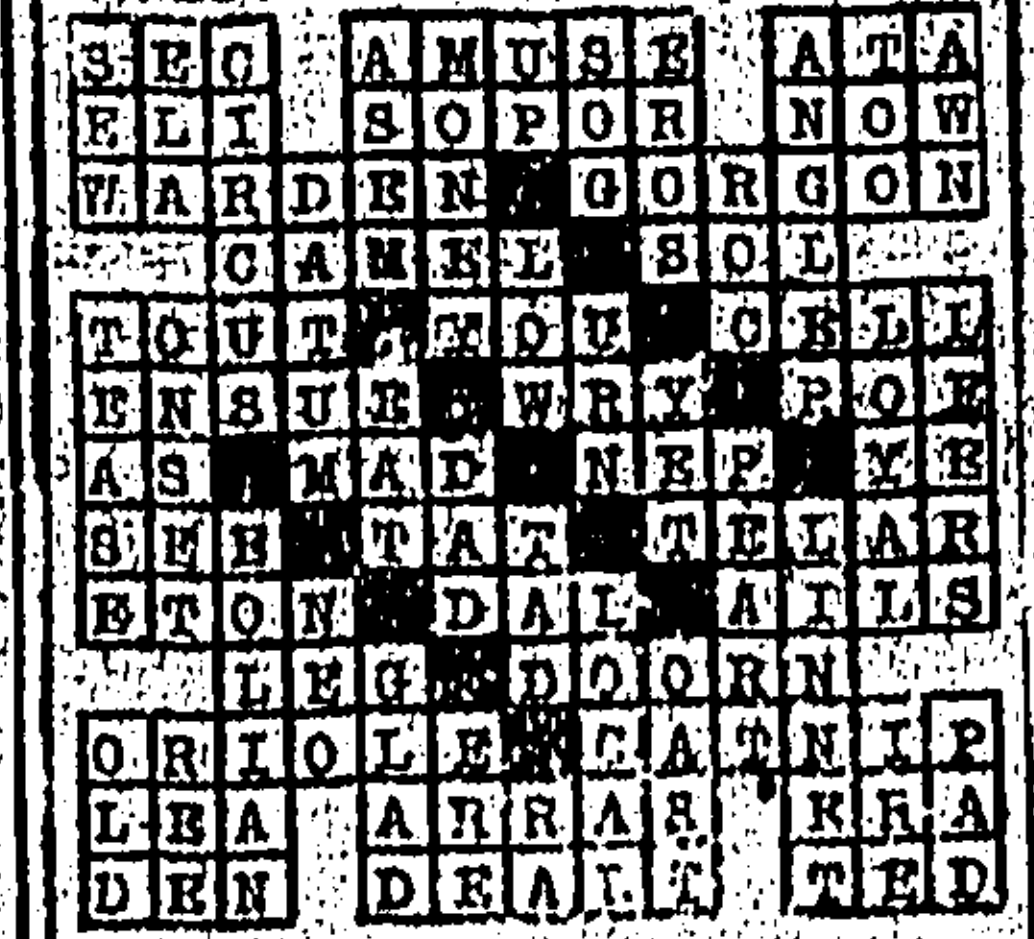
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- 1 Abyss
- 4 To rent
- 6 Because
- 12 Chance
- 13 Land of the Sphinx
- 14 Trouble
- 15 Season
- 17 Spangle
- 19 Seed coating
- 20 Caper
- 21 Satellite
- 23 Preposition
- 24 To summon forth
- 27 To bring forth
- 28 Fish sauce
- 30 Poetic sufficient
- 31 While
- 32 To elucidate
- 33 Musical syllable
- 35 River in Africa
- 37 Sediment
- 38 Hindu weight
- 39 Former rulers
- 41 Spanish article
- 42 Cries like a sheep
- 43 Liturgical addresses
- 44 Feline

#### VERTICAL

- 1 Dance step
- 2 Mischievous child
- 3 Game fish
- 4 To loan
- 5 To urge
- 6 Alas!
- 7 To stretch over
- 8 Eaglestone
- 9 Hawk
- 10 Poem
- 11 To decay
- 16 Electrified particle
- 18 Donated
- 20 Workshop
- 21 Intended
- 22 Fertile spot
- 23 European mountain system
- 25 Chosen
- 26 Pitchers
- 28 Chopping tool
- 29 To entitle
- 32 Magabre
- 33 Pardon
- 34 Greek letter
- 35 Persian prince
- 40 Strip of leather
- 42 Legal profession
- 44 Small case
- 45 Centre
- 46 Arabian garment
- 47 To fall behind
- 48 Dry
- 49 Period of time
- 50 Guided
- 53 Symbol for aluminium

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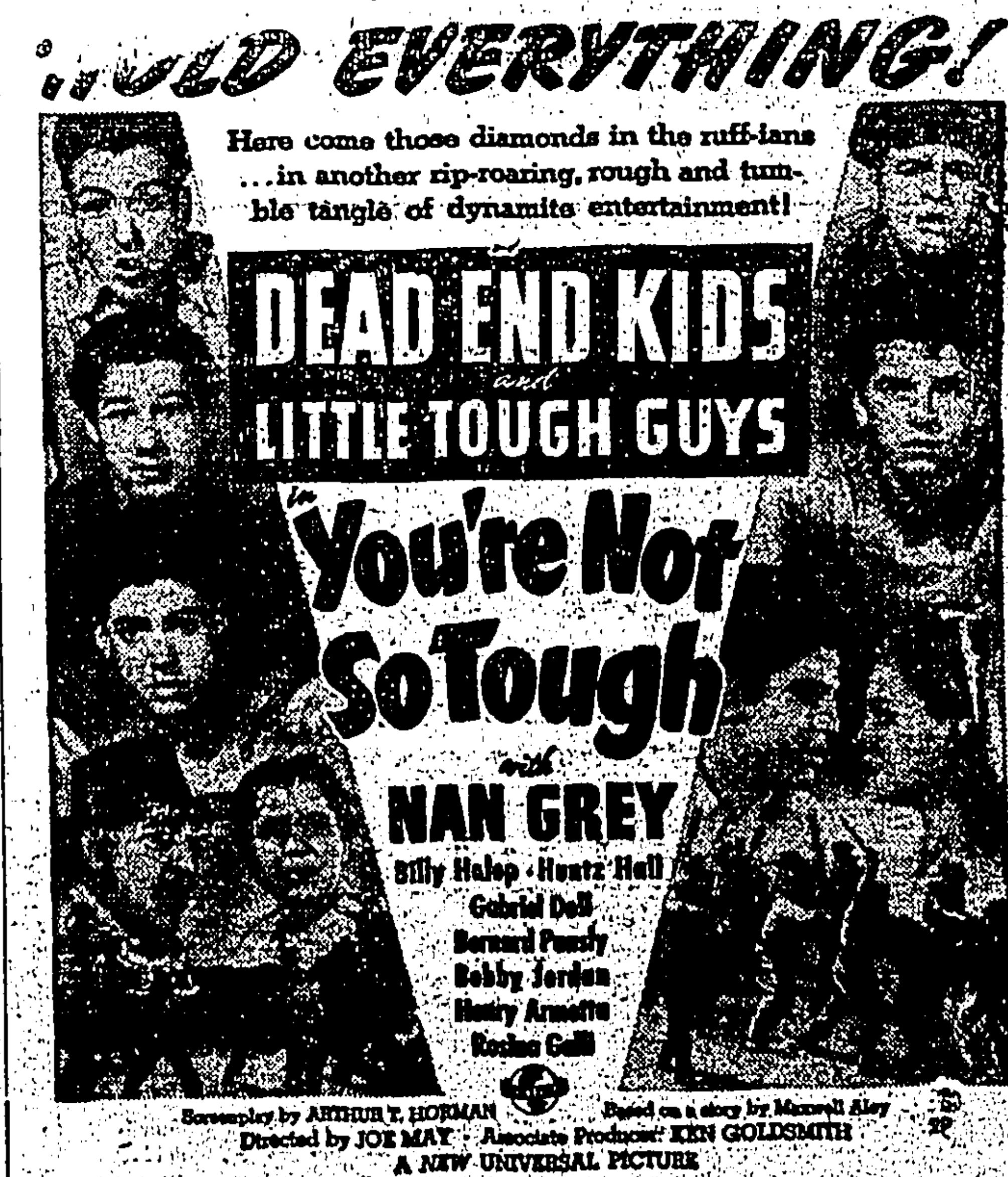
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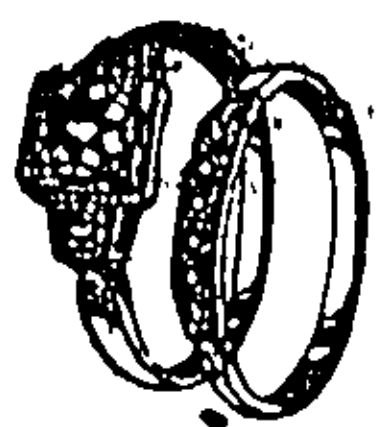
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# GEISHAS AMONG JAPANESE EVACUEES FROM HONG KONG

ABOUT THIRTY Japanese residents — some with tears streaming down their cheeks and others covering their feelings behind smiles and laughter — boarded the Japanese vessel, "Shiragane Maru" which sailed for Canton at 8 a.m. to-day.

The majority comprised the entire staff of the geisha girls of the Chitose Hotel, Kennedy Road, — some 15 in number — who have been evacuated to the Canton branch of the Hotel.

In their traditional national costumes, the geishas presented a colourful scene on the poop deck of the ship, where they remained waving silk handkerchiefs to friends and former patrons on the wharf until the ship was out of sight.

Among the passenger were a few men and families of Japanese shop-keepers in Wanchai, while the third class compartment was packed to capacity with Chinese passengers.

As the ship left the O.S.K. Pier, all the first and second class passengers crowded on deck to bid a final farewell to friends and relatives.

### Weepy Eyes

Some of the women started sobbing, and three or four of the geisha girls were also observed wiping their eyes.

"See you in Canton soon," "Don't forget to write," "Take the first boat for home," "Send the children to school," were some of the many requests which were exchanged between passengers and those standing on the wharf.

Another batch of Japanese women and children will be leaving in the same vessel on Sunday. A number of men will also be sailing to Canton.

## MINERS' GIFT TO RUSSIANS

A TELEGRAM FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE BRITISH MINERS FEDERATION TO M. IVAN MAISKY, SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN LONDON, FOR TRANSMISSION TO RUSSIA, SAYS:

"I wish to inform you we are presenting a sum exceeding £70,000 for Russian workers struggling against Fascist aggression.

"We express profound gratitude and admiration for the heroic struggle waged with supreme valour by your heroic Red Army men, Navy men and airmen." — Reuter.

## AMERICAN ALL-SLAV CONFERENCE

An American All-Slav Conference has been called for early October, it is announced in Moscow in a new series of feature broadcasts to America entitled "As a Moscow Yankee sees it."

The speaker said Slavs in America listened emotionally to the appeal from Moscow for an All-Slav Conference. It will lead American Slavs to unite their efforts. — Reuter.

## JUNKERS ATTACKS ONCE TOO OFTEN

An Admiralty communique states: "A Junkers 88 which attacked a group of minesweepers has been shot down into the sea. The enemy aircraft was hit by light A.A. fire from the minesweepers in group and by a shell from H.M. trawler Charles Doran, and it was seen to dive into the sea. There were no casualties or damage to our ships." — British Wireless.

## ETON BOMBED AGAIN

It is now revealed that bombs, for the third time during a recent raid since air raids began, fell on Eton College. Fire bombs fell on and around the College, but, thanks to the excellent fire-watching system now in operation, the damage done was very small, and there were no casualties.

Fires were started in the roofs of two of the masters' houses, but these were quickly extinguished. The majority of the fire-bombs fell in the playing fields and gardens, and for about a quarter of an hour the buildings were brilliantly illuminated.

While the fire bombs were burning high explosive bombs were dropped. One, on a football pitch, made a large crater and broke the windows of a number of houses and damaged the doors and windows of a row of cottages, while the windows of an inn were also smashed. Another bomb dropped in the garden of Warre House, the residence of the Hon. G. W. Lytton. Windows were smashed, a large crater made in a corner of the garden, and the stile leading from Judy's Passage to the playing fields was blown to pieces.

The boys were away from Eton at the time.

## EIGHT NAZI FIGHTERS DESTROYED

Eight German fighters were destroyed by R.A.F. fighters in offensive operations over Northern France yesterday morning, it is learned in London.

Six R.A.F. fighters are missing but the pilots of two are safe. — Reuter.

## PLANNING AFTER THE BLITZ

THE PLANNED REBUILDING OF TOWNS WHICH HAD SUFFERED HEAVILY FROM AIR RAIDS WAS MENTIONED YESTERDAY BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WAR DAMAGE COMMISSION.

Mr. Trustram Eve said he had just completed a tour of these towns and although everyone would wish it had come about in another way, a long needed opportunity had been given by air raids to carry out a very necessary measure of replanning. He revealed that in some 16 cities, including London, Birmingham, Coventry, Liverpool, Plymouth and Sheffield, the power given by Parliament to prohibit rebuilding except with the permission of authority, had been exercised with the result that no rebuilding could take place until those concerned with good planning had completed their scheme.

Mr. Eve stated that comprehensive legislation dealing with the whole subject of planning was contemplated. — British Wireless.

## MR. CHURCHILL LUNCHES WITH KING

The Prime Minister had an audience of the King yesterday and afterwards lunched with His Majesty at Buckingham Palace. Mr. Churchill was loudly cheered by a large crowd as he drove from Downing Street. — British Wireless.

# MARSHAL PETAIN'S GOSPEL OF AUTHORITARIANISM

"YOU ARE EITHER for me or against me," declared Marshal Petain to Frenchmen yesterday.

"Love of liberty remains constant in the proud people of France but a free people is one in which each is subject to the law and the law is all powerful.

"That is the guiding principle of the regime which I am trying patiently to build amid innumerable difficulties."

"After the peace our first need will be order — without that, neither liberty nor prosperity is possible."

Marshal Petain was speaking after having taken the oath of loyalty of members of the Council of State — highest judicial body in France, at Royat.

He appealed to the Council to give him undivided support. — Reuter.



# CHINA MAIL

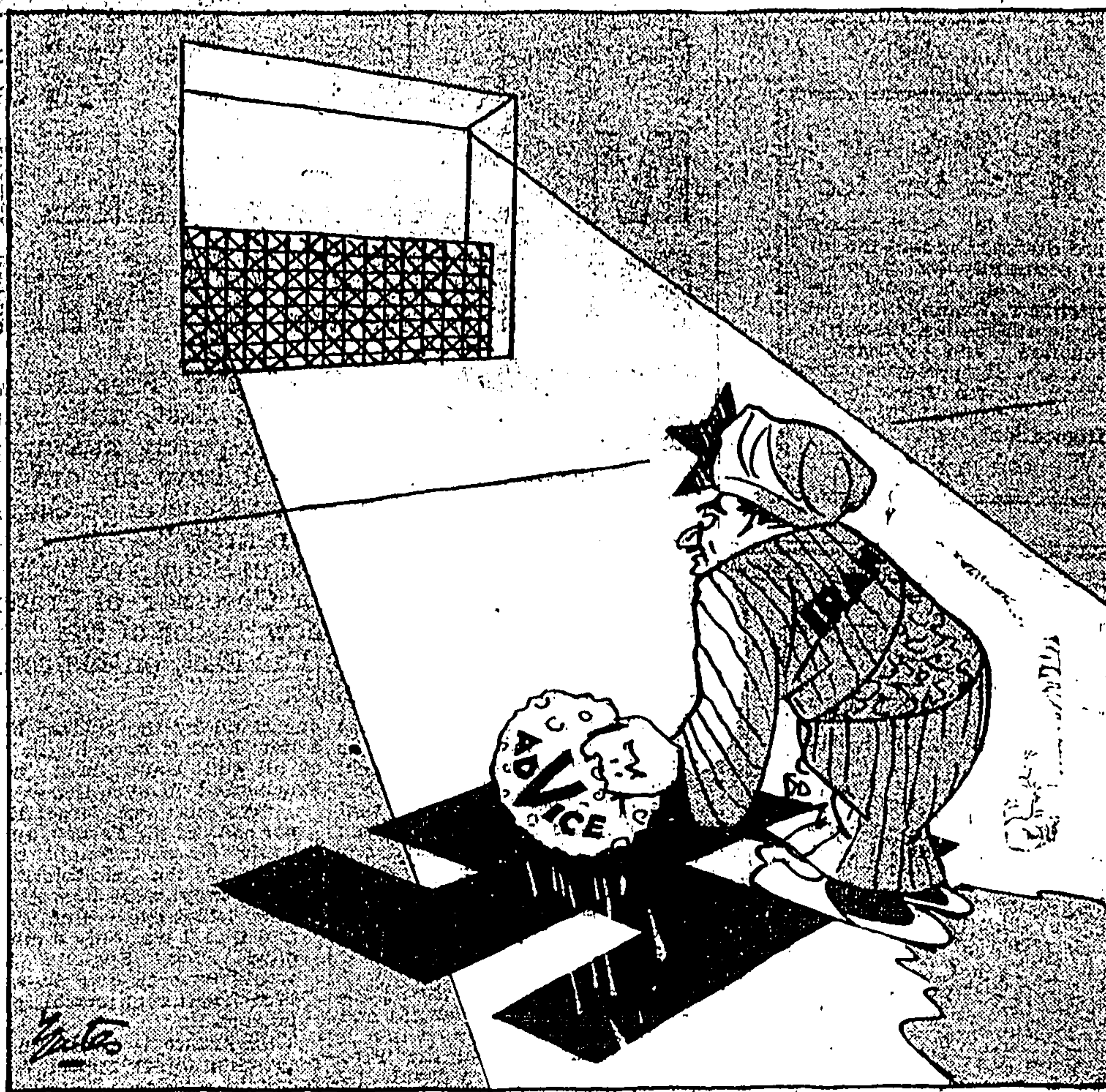
WINDSOR HOUSE

## BOMBS OVER MOSCOW

No capital in the world offers a target to the bomber as conspicuous as the Kremlin. This is a city within a city, the secret fortress of a Government which the Commissars of the People took over from the oldest and most absolute Czars. The high walls are broken by towers and turrets that jut sharply into the sky. Within the vast enclosure are palaces and churches crowned with spires and bubbling domes that are doubly reflected in a wide bend of the Moscow River. It would be strange if the German raiders failed to score a hit on this shining mark in their initial attack, as the Russians claimed. The Nazis said that twelve bombs struck the "Kremlin area" and started fires in Soviet administration buildings. Whatever the truth, eyewitnesses agree that the Luftwaffe has failed to inflict serious damage on the city or to demoralise the population.

The hardy Muscovites bear the ordeal of the blitz with calmness and courage. But what are the reflections of Joseph Stalin, supposing he keeps vigil in the Kremlin while Hitler's incendiaries rain on the roofs of the Soviet capital? Moscow was the last city that was expected to be bombed. Stalin had manoeuvred to turn the tide of battle away from Russia. He had plotted to insure the Soviet Union against involvement in a struggle which was to ruin the rest of the world and leave Russia immune from attack from any quarter and all-powerful when the belligerents were exhausted. If his thoughts turned back to another night in the Kremlin when he rubbed his hands in satisfaction as Ribbentrop and Molotov signed the fatal pact that started the war, the first German bomb must have fallen on his ears like the crash of a great boomerang. Perhaps his citadel was unscarred, but Stalin sat nevertheless amid the wreckage of his policy and the ruin of his plans. The flares dropped on Moscow were the inexorable backfire of the shells that in days past exploded over Warsaw.

The thoughts of Adolf Hitler could hardly have been less grim and bitter as he launched the attack on Moscow. For if he conceived the assault on Rus-



WHILE THE GOING'S GOOD

## DUNKIRK TO THE BISMARCK: EPIC OF THE SEAS

From the unbelievable to the unthinkable. From the unbelievable miracle of Dunkirk to the unthinkable destruction of the unsinkable Bismarck lie twelve months of which, in the words of A. V. Alexander, "our naval history has probably never seen the like."

The end of May, 1940, to the end of May, 1941, was for the British Navy a year of stirring, glorious achievement.

Deprived of its French ally, it had to carry out alone a task which, in 1918 was shared by five fleets.

Never in history has such a burden been borne before by a

ber of times in which the Navy has delivered powerful blows against the enemy without itself suffering any loss at all.

There was the Battle of Cape Matapan, in which Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham's force destroyed a third of the effective strength of the Italian fleet.

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the promotions that have followed upon recent successful naval operations carried out at relatively small cost.

Besides offensive operations, carried out on a line that stretches from the Lofoten islands of Norway to Mogadishu in Italian East Africa, upon the Navy has fallen the task in the past 12 months of being prepared at any moment, at the shortest warning, to smash any attempt at invasion by sea, and at the same time to meet the full weight of the offensive launched by Germany against our Atlantic supply line. The full story

# The Navy's Year

single fleet, or even by a combination of fleets.

And yet, notwithstanding losses, it can be said to-day, as Churchill could say but a few weeks ago, that the Royal Navy remains essentially as intact as it was in September, 1939.

The Bismarck was destroyed, unfortunately at the cost of the Hood, but a striking feature of naval engagements of the past year—a year packed with naval history—has indeed been the num-

ber of times in which the Navy has delivered powerful blows against the enemy without itself suffering any loss at all. There was the Battle of Cape Matapan, in which Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham's force destroyed a third of the effective strength of the Italian fleet. The British ships returned to their base with not a scratch or a dent to show that one of the most memorable battles of the war had been fought. Tripoli—Italy's chief naval base in North Africa—was pulverised by our guns without the slightest loss or damage to our own forces. Vice-Admiral Sir James Somer-

ville took the Renown, the Ark Royal, the Malaya, and the Sheffield right into the jaws of Genoa's shore batteries and sailed away again without as much as the loss of a single man after wrecking the famous Ansaldo arms factory, setting fire to oil tanks, putting the main Genoa power station out of action, and causing havoc in docks, railway yards, and among the Italian ships in the harbour. The sweep of the Adriatic early this year was carried out, including the bombardment of Valona, without loss or damage to any of the ships taking part.

The sweep of the Eastern and Central Mediterranean in October last, during which three Italian warships were caught in the net and destroyed, was accomplished at the cost of a few casualties on board the cruiser Ajax.

The amazing exploit at Cherbourg, when British warships, their engines roaring at full speed, dashed into the enemy-occupied harbour, pounding it with 40,000 tons of explosives, was a dare-devil action which cost us nothing in ships or men.

All these were successful offensive actions completely upsetting the old theory, which still has its adherents in some quarters, that you can't have a naval victory without heavy losses.

In 1800, Admiral Cochran was refused a request that one of his officers should be promoted after an engagement in which a superior Spanish force was captured on the grounds "that the small number of men killed (14) did not warrant promotion!"

The gallant old admiral reported that Nelson's ship, the Victory, had come out of the decisive Battle of Trafalgar with even fewer losses.

That standards have changed since Cochran's days is shown by

of the Battle of the Atlantic cannot yet be told, but the sinking of the Hood off Greenland revealed the fact that we are using capital ships to patrol the Atlantic.

That gives the measure of the enormous burden placed upon the Navy during the past 12 months. There are no idle ships in this war, no rusting keels.

Since June of last year not only has the Navy had to meet, and counter the full force of the German offensive in the Atlantic, it has had to keep the supply lines open to the Near East, assist in land operations and keep the Italian Fleet bottled up; it has also found time to shell Calais, Dunkirk, Ostend, Cherbourg, Valona, Genoa, Kismayu, Mogadishu, Sid Barrani, Sollum, Bardia, Derna, Benghazi and Tobruk, as well as cooperate with land operations in Greece and Crete.

Not all naval operations, however, have been without losses. And here there is a lesson to be learned. If the loss of the Hood is excluded, it can be said that the greater part of our naval losses have been in narrow waters, such as in Norway and among the Greek islands, where the manoeuvrability of ships is reduced and where the proximity of enemy shore bases gives enemy aircraft a local advantage.

But the Navy has faced this new factor of naval strategy unflinchingly. It has carried out its duty, intervened where necessary regardless of danger.

On three historic occasions, in Norway, Dunkirk and Greece, its intervention has frustrated Hitler's land campaigns from achieving their full purpose—the annihilation of a British expeditionary force.

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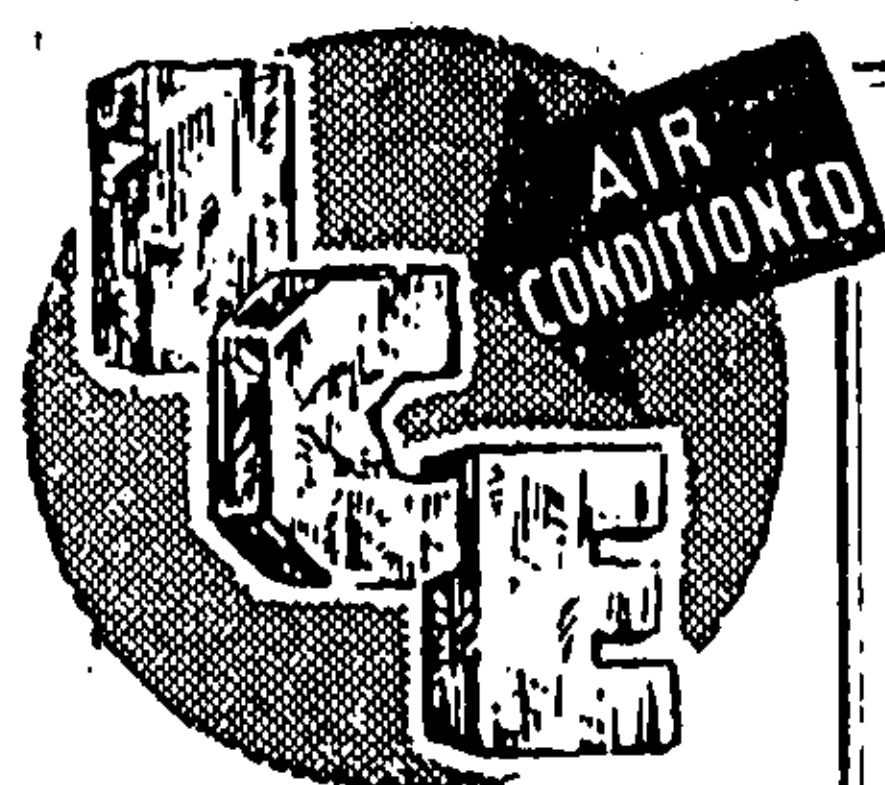
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# FREE FRENCH MOVEMENT PURELY MILITARY

"THE PROGRAMME of the 'Free French' movement throughout the Far East, and indeed throughout the whole world, is purely military; it is not political. Soon we will have an army of 100,000 fighting men trained on General de Gaulle's principles of an ultra-modern army."

This statement was made in Singapore by Monsieur Charles Baron, former Governor of France's possessions in India and now leader of the "Free French" movement in the Far East, on his return from a tour of the Far East.

Monsieur Baron said he was particularly anxious to stress the entirely military and non-political foundation of the "Free French" movement, since he found that many people in the Far East, even including Britons, "distrusted our aims and mistrusted our ideals."

"To these few doubters," he said, "I would like to try and show the true face of 'La France Libre'."

"At a time like this, when England musters all her strength and gathers her friends around her it is good to know that the 'Free French' are there, a loyal and efficient fighting force, at her side 'till the hour of final victory. Above all the Free French refuse to admit defeat."

"They obey that profound instinct of their race, as any Englishman placed in similar circumstances would have done, as he always has done in the past; it is this instinct which has always brought them through to victory."

### Honour And Fidelity

"The second sentiment which guides us is the knowledge that in this war the fate of France is bound to Britain's destiny, and to that of our allies. Honour obliges us to fight as long as Great Britain and our allies fight, and fidelity—to the cause for which this war is being fought; fidelity to our history, our ideals, our Country; fidelity above all to those we have lost in this war, those who sacrificed their lives in Belgium, at Narvik and Dunkirk, those of the last and tragic battle of France."

"The third reason for our attitude is that we do not recognise as legal a Government of coup d'etat, born and still dependent on the enemy."

"We have a great leader—General de Gaulle. We are not cowed by politics, our organisation is purely military and our aims are simple: to deliver France from the enemy; to put our whole strength into the fight for victory; to sanctify, by our sacrifices, the Franco-British friendship, the base of the 'New Order' of the future."

"The Churchill-de Gaulle agreement defines our political and military situation. Economic agreements define the situation of the colonies which rallied to the Free French. A financial agreement provides our treasury with the necessary funds for our organisation—apart from voluntary donations given by Free Frenchmen all over the world. These are the roots from which the Free French Movement springs, spreading its stout boughs like the sturdy old Gaulish oak."

### New Army Being Formed

"Free French forces are represented by 55,000 men at present in the fighting lines on different fronts. By thirty warships actually in service. By a third of France's Merchant Navy, and 1,000 airmen. These figures represent our numbers six months ago, they have most certainly been increased since then, and we know that at the present moment an army of 100,000 fighting men is being formed at Brazzaville, and that this army is being trained on General de Gaulle's principles for an ultra-modern army."

"But besides the part which the increasing Free French forces will play in the war on land, sea and in the air, there are other services which the Free French can render for the good of the common cause in this struggle for victory. Our very existence sets an example and gives hope to all Frenchmen, even to those who have resigned themselves to their fate. Because of

our stand by the side of Britain, a new hope is born in the hearts of all our countrymen both in France and all over the world."

"We must not forget that 95 per cent. of the French, and probably Marshal Petain himself, accepted the capitulation because they were honestly convinced that everything was lost, and that it was only a matter of days when England herself would have to give in—all but Monsieur Laval and his gang of traitors."

That France is awakening and responding to our appeal, we have manifold evidence. The cross of Lorraine has become a symbol of hope to a whole nation, a people which will not cooperate with Germany; a people who are ready to cooperate with the Free French. All those who are able to escape from the monstrous net which has been thrown over France, confirm this.

### Network All Over World

"The Free French have spread a network all over the world, they symbolise the spirit of resistance in the fight against defeatism and the certainty of victory. England finds Free Frenchmen everywhere, cooperating with her in the fight against 5th columnists, against the doubting and against all the sneaking allies of the enemy."

"The British know well that they are not only defending their lives and property, but things of a far greater value deeper than political and economic interests."

"They know that while defending England and they defend the cause of the whole human race—the right to liberty and equality. The Free French can testify to this."

"In the end when this difficult but certain victory is theirs and ours, when after all the sacrifices we have suffered together, France is again Free we shall not again commit the same error of each returning to our own home, dressing our own wounds, everyone for himself. For the New Order will be made through collaboration with all trustworthy men, and England and France will have the friendship of a true brotherhood of nations, for we shall have shared our trials."

"Having stuck together through bad times, we shall share the better times to come, and we shall build a new and peaceful world on the solid foundation of Franco-British friendship."

### CALL FOR RECRUITS IN AUSTRALIA

The Director-General of Recruiting in Australia, Major-General Lloyd, said recently that if any family or firm was holding back an eligible man who wanted to join the A.I.F., it was sabotaging Australia's war effort.

"It is about time the people of Australia, including employers realised the vital importance of keeping up the strength of the A.I.F.," he said.

"I do not mean employers should bring pressure on employees to enlist, but that they should give those who are eligible every encouragement to enlist."

"The position is entirely different from that of the last war. This time Australia is in actual danger. The only way we can block the enemy is by keeping him out of this country."

"Australia must put aside detailed and negative criticism and probing for this and that reason for poor recruiting returns. There is a job to be done."



Randolph Scott and Kay Francis in Universal's "When the Daltons Rode," coming soon to the King's Theatre.

## TURKISH BLOOD NOW IN WAR

A Turkish friend points out to me that though his country is not yet a belligerent, thousands of men of Turkish blood are now in the war. They are the Moslem soldiers of King Peter writes the correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

Usually the Moslems of Yugoslavia do not speak the language of their ancestors unless they belong to the "Aga" class, the landed gentry and the priesthood. They form a powerful minority, but little is heard of them as they have become peacefully merged in the Christian population and their allegiance has been above dispute.

Their spiritual head is the grand Mufti of Belgrade where there is a large mosque. He is accorded high rank at courts and was one of the first dignitaries of the realm to assure King Peter of the loyalty of his followers.

Moslems are not separated for military purposes from Christians though in some regiments they preponderate. In these there are always Islamic chaplains.

## ANTI-JEWISH POLISH ARTICLE DISOWNED

The Polish Government "repudiates the anti-Jewish articles published in 'Jestem Polakiem,' the Polish newspaper published in London. We believe such articles injure our cause and we deplore them."

This statement has been made to the "News Chronicle" by an official on behalf of the Polish Government.

Publication in the "News Chronicle" of the fact that "Jestem Polakiem" is printing violent attacks on the Jews is to be followed by official investigation into the activities of its contributors. The matter is to be raised in Parliament, and it is expected that a statement will be made on behalf of the Foreign Office.

"The people running this paper are in opposition to the Polish Government," it was stated in London. "Steps will have to be taken to persuade them they are injuring the Allied cause by this propaganda."



# Many Officers And Men In Middle East Decorated

NEARLY 80 officers and men are named in last night's "London Gazette" for gallant and distinguished service in the Middle East.

Col. (temporary Brigadier) James Kingstone, late cavalry, who already holds the D.S.O., and M.C., receives a Bar to his Distinguished Service Order. He was in 1932 appointed to the command of the Ninth Queen's Royal Lancers when he was only 38 — an exceptionally early age for an officer to command a regiment in peace time.

The Distinguished Service Order is awarded to Capt. (temporary Major) Robert Archibald Eden, Royal Horse Artillery; Capt. (acting Major) Robert Brian James, Essex Regiment; and Major (acting Lieut. Col.) Frederick Arthur Montague Bertram Jenkins, M.C., 2nd Punjab Regt., Indian Army.

The Military Cross is awarded to 21 officers including two of the Indian Army, and six of the Australian military forces.

The list also includes the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal to Sergt. Richard Samuel Head, Royal Artillery, of South Shields; Sergt. George Cairns Wightman, Rifle Brigade, Prince Consort's Own (Maidstone) and two Australian sergeants.

## Indian Awards

Four Indians receive the Indian Order of Merit (Second Class). Thirty Military Medals and 10 Indian Distinguished Service medals are awarded.

Captain (acting Major) R. E. James, Essex Regiment, and Major (Acting Lieut. Col.) F. A. M. Jenkins, are mentioned in recognition of "gallant and distinguished services in the Middle East." — Reuter.

## NAZI-BANNED BOOKS SHOWN IN AMERICA

An exhibition of French books banned in Occupied France by the German Propaganda Ministry has been opened in the library of Princeton University as a demonstration of the methods employed by the Nazis to uproot the national cultures of lands under their domination.

Two lists which reached America in a roundabout way formed the basis for the collection.

The first, issued by a committee of the German Propaganda Ministry, named books which were to be banned "in the hope of fostering more sensible appreciation of the problems facing the New Europe."

The other, bearing the imprint of an organisation of Paris publishers, was for circulation to French book-sellers and ordered that all books named by the Nazis be returned or destroyed, or face the risk of confiscation.

Many of the banned books were school textbooks and primers. Some were banned because they contained remarks about Germany held to be derogatory, others because they taught the children that France was a great and independent country.

Not only are the Germans determined to destroy what remains of the culture of France. They are apparently unwilling to let France borrow from the culture of New Germany. French translations of "Mein Kampf" are being seized and destroyed.

The Emil Ludwig biography of Benjamin Franklin has been heavily censored, as have the works of Thomas Mann, Stefan

## "A BUSY NIGHT"

(Extract from a booklet consisting of the diary-entry of Mr. Jack Read of the "Caxton Magazine," a member of London's Auxiliary Fire Service, written in hospital after an experience which very few people have been permitted to survive and describe in detail).

At the hospital I leave my crew at the main gates and go off to find the officer in charge of the fire. I am told that he is up on the roof so I walk up three flights of stairs and then up an outside iron ladder to reach him. He is standing in the middle of the small bridge that connects the two top floors of opposite wings of the hospital. I recognise him by his two brass epaulettes. His face is black with wood ash.

I report the presence of my crew, but we are not wanted as the fire is well under control. Before I am dismissed I am told to assist the officer to pay out a little more hose so that the men of the roof can get closer to the remaining fire. The hose comes up from a heavy pump that is working from a water dam on the ground about thirty feet from where we are standing. It is charged with water and three of us have to pull hard to get the extra foot or so that the roof men need.

I can hear Jerry flying around still and from my high position I can see a number of fires burning. It certainly is a stinker to-night, but the glow from the fires is getting dull. Then without any warning, without any whistle or swish, a high explosive bomb drops on the ground underneath our bridge. I am hurled upwards through the air at a terrifying speed. At the top of my flight I seem to be stationary for a second. I am conscious of a brilliant light from the exploding bomb and in this instant I see the bridge breaking up underneath me.

Kirby, the officer-in-charge, is flying through the air and the light is playing on his polished brass epaulettes. There is the roar of the explosion and the rumble of falling bricks and masonry. Then it is dark. I begin to turn over and over as I fall. I know that I have a long way to drop and I imagine that I shall be killed when I reach the ground. I let my body go limp because I think that by doing this I will possibly avoid violent fractures. I wonder how much it is going to hurt. There is still a loud rumbling of falling debris and I feel my forehead become moist against the wind as something grazes the skin. It seems that.

Zweig, Vicki Baum, Einstein, and H. G. Wells.

Also banned are many apparently harmless works on travel and studies of primitive peoples and their cultures.

Many of the books on the forbidden list were published before the last war—some of them a considerable time earlier—and are probably now out of print.

## "PORTUGAL NEXT"

Colonel Donovan, who recently toured Europe as President Roosevelt's special envoy, speaking at Princeton, New Jersey, expressed the view that Germany may soon seize Portugal, and move through French North Africa towards Dakar, thus seeking to control the South Atlantic.

## FIRE-WATCHERS IN DAY-TIME

The Regional Commissioner for the north-west (Sir Harry Haig) announced that fire-watching at business premises during the daytime is to be relaxed immediately.

Fire-watchers and fire parties need be on duty only during alerts in day time working hours, and from half-an-hour before the black-out to the end of the black-out period.

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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

# Holiday Made Happier

At last that holiday has arrived and you plan to get away from it all and have some fun. That's fine and I hope nothing will interfere with your plans. But do let me caution you to prepare for those two weeks so you will get every possible bit of fun out of them.

First do not load your trunk with a lot of unnecessary clothes. Fresh cottons, light woolsens, a sweater or two and play clothes are about all you need. Perhaps a couple of casual evening dresses will be required for gala nights. You will want a lot of exercise during your holiday so see that your swim suit fits. Above all see that everything you cart along is in apple-pie order. There will be no time for sewing on a snap or taking up a hem — all those little details should be attended to before your clothes are packed.

It is good to bear in mind that low-heeled shoes are the natural accessory for all play clothes — cotton dresses, shorts, slacks. A girl looks positively silly trying to walk along the beach in a pair of high-heeled sandals! See that you show better taste and better sense.

This summer girls have determined to keep their hair out of the sun, so gayly coloured turbans and scarves become a vital part of one's play wardrobe. For every costume have a head covering that adds a dash of harmonising colour. Then wear it!

It is nice to carry scads of fresh undies if you can afford to be so stocked. If you are limited then you should buy silk jersey or silk seersucker underthings and nighties as they are easily washed out and require no ironing if they are stretched before you hang them to dry. As personal daintiness is vital to charm and allure you cannot afford to economise on laundry, and some very active days you will require two and three changes. A deodorant is a "must" as you can see.

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... that two or three lengths of elastic sewn across pleats on the inside of a skirt keep them in place. This does not apply to narrow pleats — but only to the wider box-pleated panels.

... that setting apart a special day for small repairs to clothes and things around the house will save you time and money. Get your tools together — needles, cotton, wool, paint, tacks, hammers, and so on — every Thursday afternoon for a couple of hours.

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aids you are used to using at home. You must have a sun cream, a cleanser, a lubricant, plenty of face tissues, manicuring aids, and make-up. Naturally you do not need to wear other than a lipstick and a bit of powder once your skin takes on new beauty from wholesome outdoor life, but until then you will need a protective powder foundation, perhaps rouge, lipstick and powder. And about hair aids. You will not want to give up much time for beauty visits so equip yourself with a good brush, comb, some curlers and bobby pins. A quick setting lotion might come in handy although fresh water or cologne serves just as well. Waterproof mascara, lipstick and powder foundation are fun to have! Also take a half dozen fresh wash cloths and a box of fresh puffs.

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3. Use your most attractive china and tray linen, and not uncovered trays and cracked cups and plates.
4. See that they've got a clean handkerchief under the pillow, and given them a fresh pillowcase every day. ... you'd be surprised what a difference this makes to their sleeping and comfort.
5. If they need sleep, don't let the sun or a bright light fall direct on to their face.
6. Leave a glass of water or

milk beside the bed where they can reach it easily, and don't forget to cover it with a serviette or saucer.



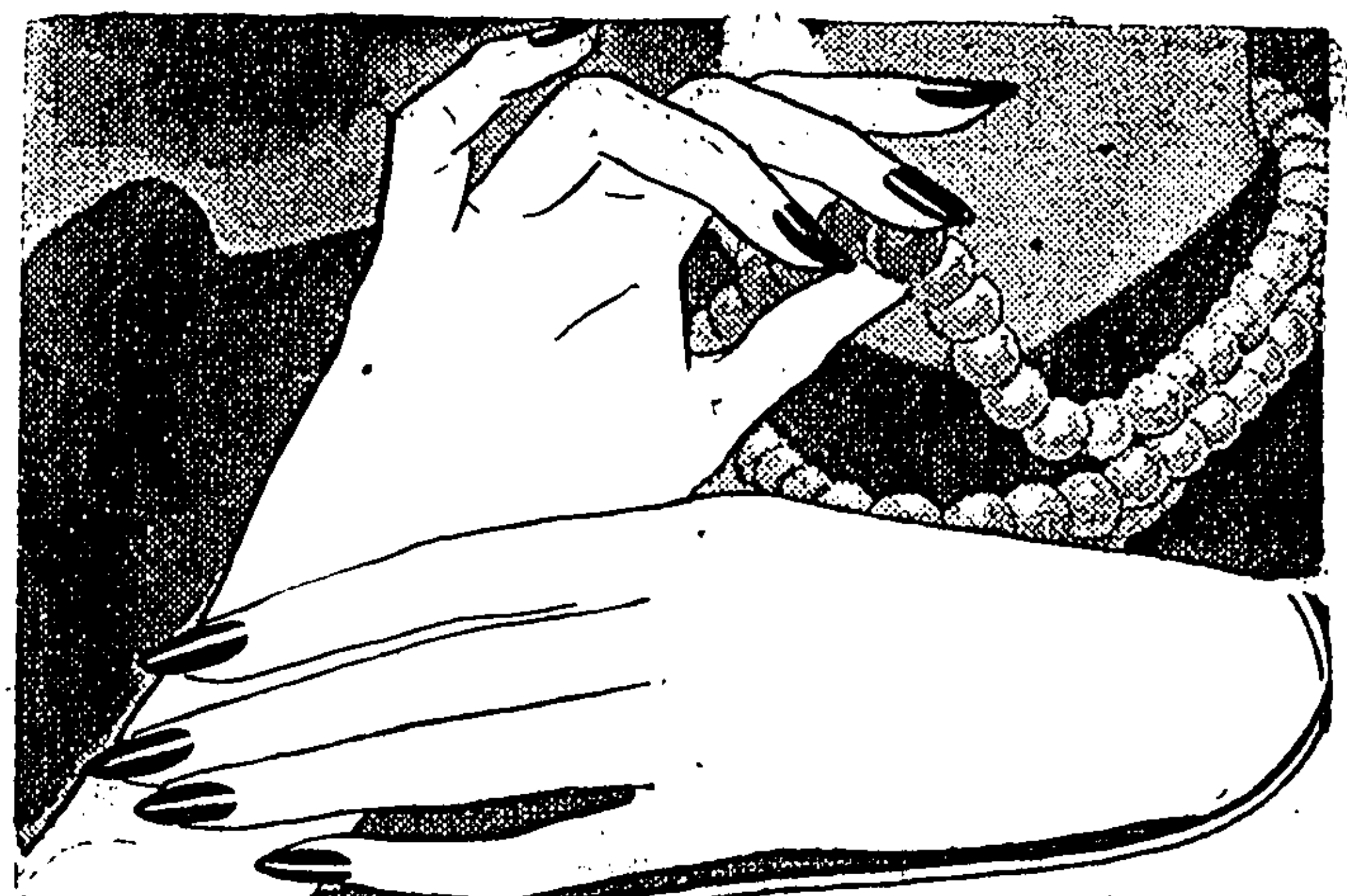
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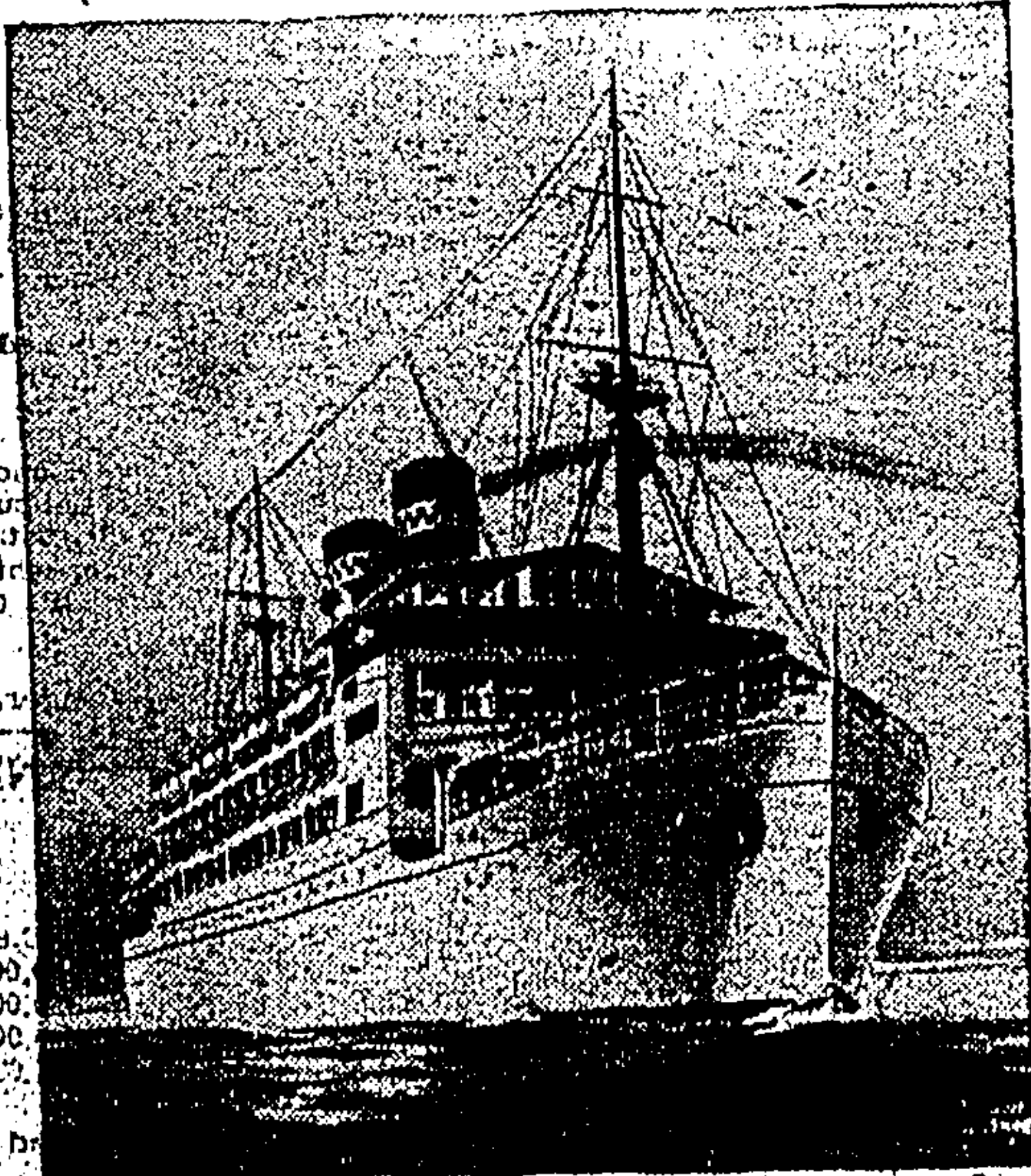
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.  
12.30 p.m.—"Hits from the Shows".  
"Cochran's 1941 Revue"—Any Little Fish (Noel Coward)...Noel Coward (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
"The Dancing Years"—The Leap Year Waltz (Novello)...The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.  
"Careless Rapture"—Music in May (Novello-Hassall)...Dorothy Dickson (Soprano) with Orchestra.  
"Balalaika"—The Magic Of Your Love (Kahn, Grey, Lehar)...Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orch.  
"Andy Hardy Meets Debutante"—I'm Nobody's Baby (Davis)...Oscar Rabin and his Band.  
"Babes In Arms"—I'm Just Wild About Harry (Sisler, Blake)...Judy Garland (Vocal) with Orchestra.  
"Down Argentine Way"—Two Dreams Met: Down Argentine Way (Warren-Gordon)...Oscar Rabin & his Band.  
"East Side Of Heaven"—That Sly Old Gentleman (Monaco)...Bing Crosby (Vocal) with Orchestra.  
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.  
1.02 p.m.—Dance Music.  
Fox-Trots—Smokey Mary; Cherry...Bob Crosby & his Orchestra.  
Tangos—Villa Amlga; Carnaval De Mi Barrio...Mercedes Simone & her Tipica Trio.  
Fox-Trot—I Hear A Dream (Come Home Again); Quick-Step—Bluebirds In The Moonlight (from film "Gulliver Travels")...Jack White and his Collegians.  
Swing Fox-Trots—No body Knows The Way I Feel Dis Morning; Old Man Blues...Sidney Bechet & his New Orleans Feetwarmers.  
Waltz—When Penelope Prim Passes By...Low Stone & his Band.  
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.  
1.45 p.m.—Prokofiev—Peter and The Wolf (Orchestral Fairy Tale). Serge Koussevitzky and The Boston Symphony Orchestra. Narrator: Richard Hale.  
2.15 p.m.—Close down.  
6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—"He Wanted Adventure"—Musical Comedy. Bobby Hovess and Company with Theatre Orchestra conducted by Joseph Tunbridge.  
7.22 p.m.—Albert Sandler (Violin) and His Orchestra.  
Souvenir D'Ukraine: Black Eyes—Russian Impression (Ferraris); Spanish Serenade (Johnny Heykens); La Tosca—Fantasie (Puccini) (arr. Tavan); Down In The Forest (Sir L. Ronald); Estudiantina (Waldteufel)—Waltz; Dolores (Waldteufel)—Waltz; Allegro (Flocco, arr. Bent & O'Neill); Pale Moon—Indian Love Song (Logan, arr. Kreisler); Sandler Minuets—Intro; Mozart Minuet In E Flat; Bizet Minuet from "L'Arlesienne"; Boccherini Minuet; Handel "Berenice" Minuet; Beethoven Minuet In G; Mozart Minuet and Trio; Divertimento No. 17.  
8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.  
8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.  
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
8.32 p.m.—A Light Irish Programme.  
An Irish Symphony—Scherzo (Sir H. Harty); Sir Hamilton Harty conducting The Halle Orchestra.  
Kathleen Mavarneen (Mrs. J. Crawford—F. Crouch)...Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.  
Londonderry Air (Sir H. Harty)...The Halle Orchestra cond. by Sir Hamilton Harty.  
A Little Irish Dash Of Dublin (from "Peg of Old Drury")...Anna Neagle (Soprano) with Orchestra.  
Rakes Of Clonmell—Jig...Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano.  
When Paddy McGinty Plays The Harp—Fox-Trot...Music That Wins by the McFarland Twins.  
Mason's Apron—Reel...Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano.  
What'll I Do If I Marry A Soldier...Music That Wins by the McFarland Twins.  
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.  
9.02 p.m.—New Variety & Dance Music.  
Vocal—Maria Elena...Dick Todd (Baritone) with Orchestra.  
Fox-Trots—Boy Scout In Switzerland;



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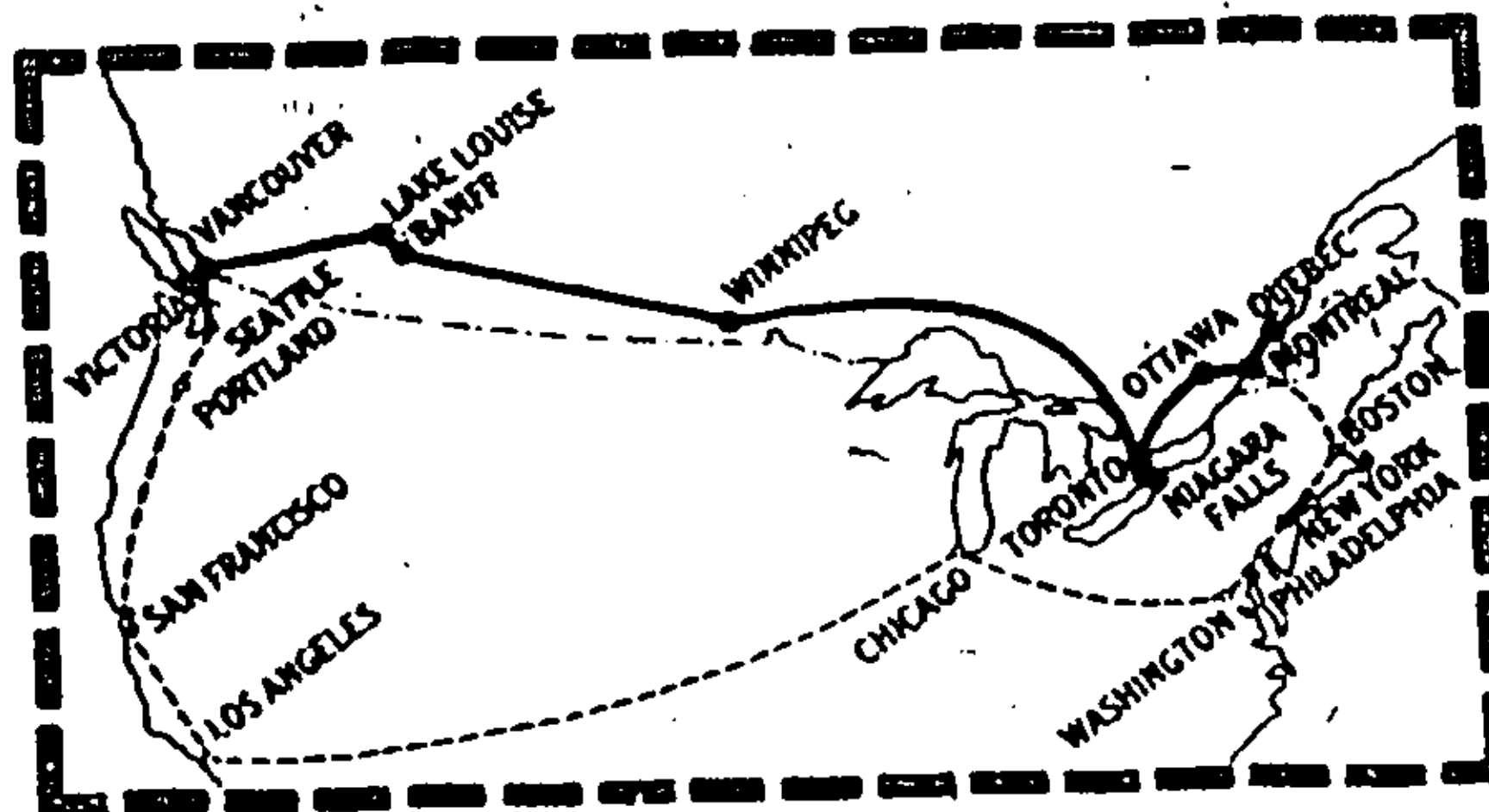
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Full use of the great range of the R.A.F.'s new aircraft, including such types as the Catalina which trailed the Bismarck during a non-stop flight of twenty hours, demands navigational qualities of a high order. On all questions of courses, times, routes, weather, heights, wind drift and similar vital matters, the observer is the brain of the team.

As the result of thorough and specialised training the Air Observer becomes an expert in aerial navigation, bombing, gunnery, signals and meteorology. Besides being in charge of the navigation of his aircraft it is his job to recognise the target to be attacked, direct the pilot to it, and then aim and release the bombs. He is also, in his role of air gunner, often called upon to man his machine-guns and help shoot down a hostile machine.

The steady growth of the R.A.F. creates an increasing need for more men of the right type to act as observers in the new aircraft coming into service. For this work, on which depends the success of Britain's mounting air offensive, there is now a call for many hundreds of young men between the ages of 18 and 33. Men in certain reserved trades can be accepted for this vital job. The R.A.F. Sections of any Combined Recruiting Centre can give candidates all particulars.

## FIRM TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Home rails provided the main feature on the London Stock Exchange yesterday with the market strong all-round influenced by hopes of an early statement of the new Government agreement. Elsewhere prices were quieter but the undertone continued firm and prices, generally, were maintained. Bradford Dyers were a good feature among industrials on the payment of five years arrears in preference dividends. Shipping shares continued firm and oils were quiet while Kaffirs were quietly firm.—Reuter.

## LONDON PAYS FOR A WEEK'S WAR

London has found the money, and thus confounded those pessimists who thought the objective of £100,000,000 was too optimistic.

The total of £108,732,000 at the close of banking hours at noon is an enormous sum of money. At a rough guess London, during its War Weapons Week, carried the whole cost of the war, for £100,000,000 in six days equals £6,000,000,000 a year.

The reactions have been noticed in the market. For two weeks London has relieved the Government from borrowing at short-term from the banks, and indeed, bank loans against Treasury deposit receipts have been repaid. The Government was also able to reduce by £10,000,000 the weekly issue of Treasury Bills.

Where has this money come from? Part of it was subscribed by the banks and another large portion by insurance companies and financial and industrial concerns. This money's real function was to give the lead to the public.

### Spend Less Save More

The object of the War Weapons Week was to stimulate people into spending less and saving more. When a bank takes up War Bonds it is merely changing over some

# U.S. WAR WITH JAPAN INEVITABLE SAYS MR. HALLETT ABEND

"WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN IS JUST AS INEVITABLE AS WAS WAR BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY, AND FOR THE SAME REASON: IT IS IMPOSSIBLE INDEFINITELY TO MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS WITH A BAD NEIGHBOUR."

This is the prophecy made in a widely publicised article by Mr. Hallett Abend, former Far East correspondent of the "New York Times," which appeared on August 3 in the magazine "Look."

For a week in nightly nationwide broadcasts "Look" has been advertising this feature, which has been termed the most blighting indictment of Japan yet to appear in any American periodical.

Mr. Abend's article says that, broadly speaking, the fact of Herr Hitler being a bad neighbour is the cause of the present chaos in Europe, and that Japan's being a bad neighbour is responsible for the inevitable drift toward war by the United States.

Japan is termed the prototype of Nazi Germany—"arrogant, greedy, scornful of the rights of others, and with the temperament of a bully."

Listing specific causes for a war which he says cannot be avoided, Mr. Abend names Japan's violation of treaties concerning China, and then argues that even aside from ethical reasons the United States cannot permit Japan to be permanently successful in her campaigns of aggression and expansion. Success, he forecasts, would make Japan so powerful within two decades that American geographical safety would be endangered. "The Japanese temperament being what it is."

### No Reversal

It is now impossible for Japan to reverse her policies, the article argues, not only because of the question of "face," but because no appeasement would satisfy America and Great Britain which did not include the withdrawal of Japanese armed forces from all of China, and the desertion of Japan's puppet regimes there.

For economic and political reasons Japan does not dare to call

home her army of more than 1,000,000 men, it is stated, for she could not give them employment nor afford a dole, and the returned armies might easily be stirred to a revolution.

The "Look" article argues that Japan's adherence to the German-Italian Axis pact would not deter Tokyo's opportunist statesmen if they thought they could appease America and Britain, and still keep what they have conquered. It also charges that when the time seems opportune, Japan will carelessly break her treaty of friendship, neutrality and non-aggression concluded with Soviet Russia on April 13 of this year. But Japan will not attack Russia unless Hitler has first broken the Soviet power of resistance, it is prophesied.

Japan's military clique, trying clumsily to play at diplomacy, have brought the Empire to the pass where its whole future is tied up with the hope of a German victory, and if Germany loses, Mr. Abend says, Japan will be so soundly beaten by the United States that her naval forces will be gone and her merchant fleet lost.

She will then be an impoverished and embittered second or even third class power.

### No Illusions

Under no illusions concerning the possibility of a quick and easy smashing victory for the United States, Mr. Abend is nevertheless confident that America will win the Naval conflict.

Victory will be followed by transferring most of the United States Fleet to the Atlantic.

Possibly 30 submarines will be left in the China Seas to prey upon Japanese transports and supply ships bound for China. This will so seriously cripple the Japanese Army on the Asiatic mainland, that then General Chiang Kai-shek's armies can stage a gigantic counter-offensive, and drive them into the sea.

Although the United States will be seeking no territorial gains by warring against Japan, the author closes by urging that at the final peace conference Japan be permanently deprived of some of that long chain of islands extending down the Pacific and into the South Seas, for so long as she holds and can fortify those islands, he argues, Japan will be in a position to bar American trade from eastern Asia.

"The bad neighbour should be made to put up at least that much of a bond to keep the peace," Mr. Abend concludes.—Central News.

## LABOUR TRIBUTE TO MR. CHURCHILL

In a tribute to Mr. Churchill as a man of great courage and understanding, Mr. Harold Hicks, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, said yesterday: "His initiative and courage have captured the admiration of the world. This country and its Allies will wish to thank him, not only for the dramatic meeting but also for the manly and spiritual declaration from the Atlantic."

"He is a man of great courage and understanding, and if the people will give him understanding and support they will be backing a man who stands for all the ideals of this country and the better times before it."—Reuter.

### RUBBER QUOTA

The International Rubber Regulation Committee has fixed the permissible export quota for the fourth quarter of this year under the regulation scheme at 120 per cent. of standard tonnage, says Reuter from London.

## BEST AGAINST BOMBS

Framed buildings of steel and concrete have stood up to bombing attacks in the most remarkable manner, and have shown great powers of resistance and resilience, states a report by the Science Committee of the Institution of Structural Engineers.

They have withstood attacks from the heaviest bombs where buildings with brick walls and timber floors have collapsed utterly under the action of small bombs.

A steel and concrete building although damaged, will still stand and give protection to people in the lower storeys.

The Committee feels, adds the report, that framed buildings of steel or of reinforced concrete floors should be adopted, owing to their resistance to all kinds of forces for which they were not primarily designed.

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

GREETINGS WERE EXCHANGED YESTERDAY IN A TWO-WAY RADIO BROADCAST BETWEEN SENOR QUEZON, PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND MR. HENRY A. WALLACE, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The occasion was the sixty-third birthday of President Quezon. He spoke from Manila and Mr. Wallace from Washington.

President Quezon, in the course of his talk, said his people were "with the United States in life or death."—Reuter.

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## YOUNG WINS 220 YARDS SCHOOLS' HEAT

Swimming of a very promising standard was seen at Victoria Recreation Club last evening when the final heats for the Inter-Schools' Swimming Gala, to be held on Saturday, commencing at 5.07 p.m., were decided.

It was originally arranged that the gala should commence at 9.07 p.m. but the Committee, after further consideration, decided that it would be more convenient if the sports were held earlier in the evening.

Yesterday's results were:—

### SENIOR BOYS'

220 Yards free-style:—Heat No. 1: 1. D. Young (St. Joseph's); 2. A. V. Lopes (La Salle) and 3. A. Sandberg (La Salle). Time: 2 min. 58 sec. Heat No. 2: 1. W. Teo (St. Stephen's) and 2. J. Rozario (La Salle). Time: 3 min. 12.5 sec.

Diving three-metre board:—1. Chung On (St. Stephen's); 2. B. Pomeroy (La Salle) and 3. C. Whitfield (D.B.S.).

## TSUI HANG AGAIN WINS

Tsui Hang won the Open 100 Metres free-style event at the third swimming gala of South China A.A. at North Point yesterday, clocking 64 2/5 sec.

Following are the results:

Men's 50 Metres Breast-Stroke:—1. Au Leung-wah, 2. Ho Puk-kai, 3. Tsui Hang-shu.  
Ladies' 100 Metres Breast-Stroke:—1. Li Pehuen, 2. Ho Wai-man, 3. Chui Puk.  
Ladies' 50 Metres Back-Stroke:—1. Li Pehuen, 2. Ho Wai-man, 3. Ho Wai-man.  
Men's 100 Metres Free-Style (Open):—1. Tsui Hang, 2. Fung Fui-wan, 3. Chung Tai-hung. Time: 64 2/5 sec.

## TO-DAY'S WATER POLO GAMES

Following is to-day's programme of matches in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo Tournament:

### AT NAVY POOL

Royal Navy "A" v Combined Small Units

(5.00 p.m.)  
Royal Navy "C" v 5th A.A. R.A.

(6.30 p.m.)  
AT THE "Y" POOL

Royal Navy "B" v 30th Battery R.A.

(7.00 p.m.)  
"Y" v 8th Coastal R.A.

(7.30 p.m.)  
965th R.A. v Middlesex "B"

(8.00 p.m.)  
Middlesex "A" v Royal Scots "B"

## VALLEY GOLF

Playing yesterday in the Second Summer Foursomes at the Valley, W. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (10) beat H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (10) 3 and 2. The winners are now in the Final, where they will meet the winners of the T. B. Low and R. K. Colings, first tournament winners, and J. M. Thomson and N. J. Booker semi-final match.

The annual Inter-Company swimming sports of Royal Scots, for the Bower Trophy, was held at the Army Pool yesterday, and resulted in Headquarters "B" winning with 31½ points. In an invitation relay race European Y.M.C.A. beat Royal Artillery.

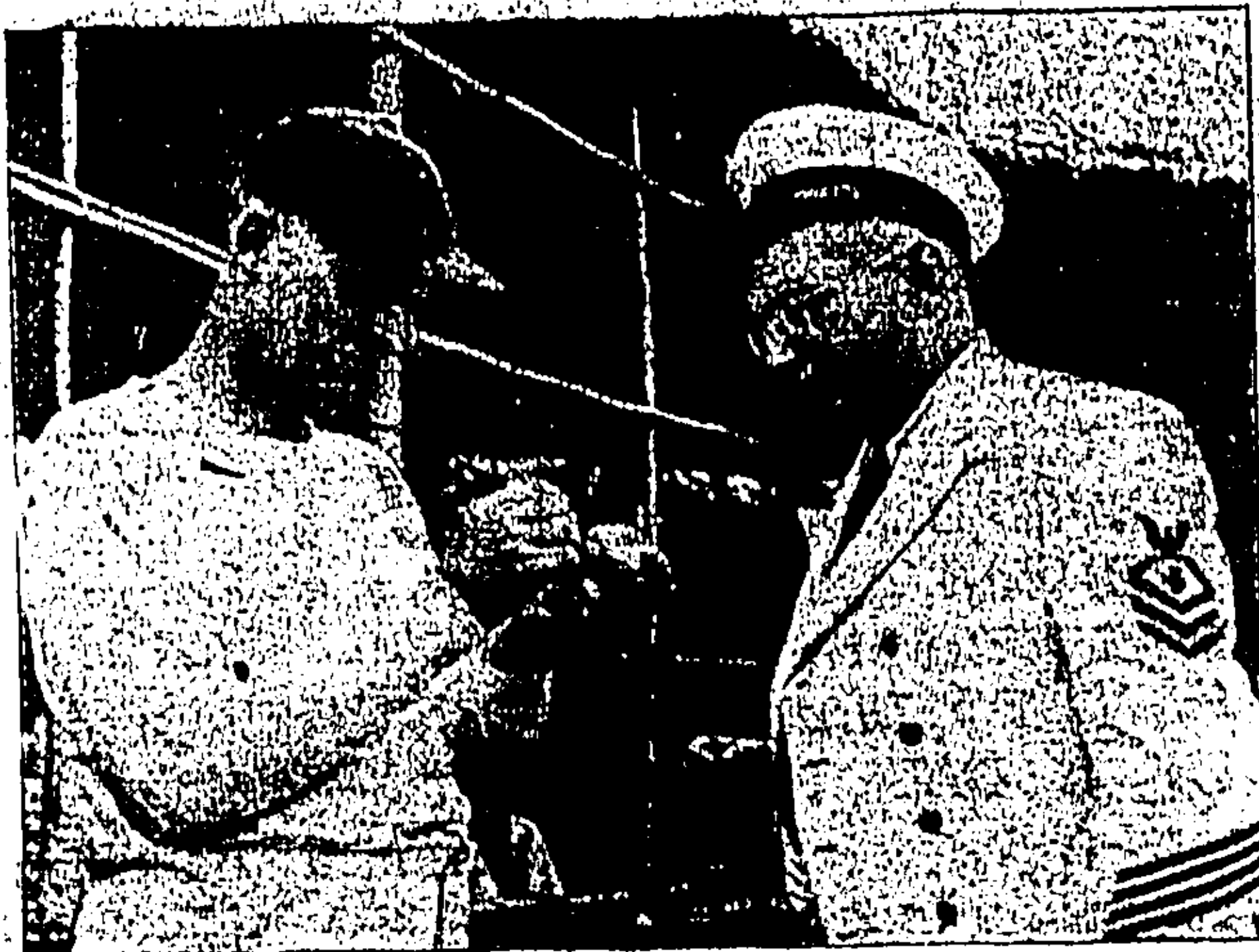


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Doc. Molthen, who played a good game at first base for United States against India, is seen here autographing a ball for Chief Petty Officer Beck of U.S.S. Mindano after the gunboat's last game of the season, against South China, on Sunday.

## AROMIN DESPERATELY ATTEMPTS TO REVIVE INTEREST IN BOXING

By "Incog"

ALTHOUGH THIS HUMID WEATHER IS NOT QUITE IDEAL FOR STRENUOUS SPORT, THERE ARE QUITE A NUMBER OF LOCAL SPORTSMEN WHO ARE ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO A BIG PROGRAMME FOR THE COOLER MONTHS THAT ARE TO COME.

One such is "Sal" Aromin, the local Filipino boxer, who hasn't had a bout in ages — through no fault of his own — but who is ever on the look-out to accommodate anybody in his division in anything up to 15 rounds of boxing.

Aromin must be one of the most consistently disappointed boxers ever to have stepped ashore in Hong Kong, for since his arrival here many years ago, the number of fights he has had may easily be counted on the fingers of one hand. And the betting is that he'll then have some fingers left over too!

Due to lack of support, Hong Kong Amateur Boxing Association decided to "pack up" some years ago, and, as has often been stated, since then we have only had one or two tournaments, and they have left much to be desired.

Aromin contends that Hong Kong is much more ideally situated as the boxing centre of the Orient than Shanghai and Singapore, or the Philippines for that matter. He ventures the argument that if some enterprising sportsmen got together and formed a syndicate solely with the idea of promoting boxing, all the best fighters in the Orient would lose no time congregating in this Fragrant Isle, and he goes on to predict that there are fight fans enough to place such an undertaking on a profit-making basis.

### Andre Dupre Case

In support of his "optimism," Aromin cites the occasion when Andre Dupre, former feather-weight champion of France, accepted an invitation to fight here on the condition that he received \$1,500 "win, lose or draw." He

fought and the Boxing Association were none the poorer for having had to pay out, as enough tickets were sold to cover all expenses.

The answer to the question — why doesn't boxing thrive here? — probably lies in the fact that the Chinese are not sufficiently interested in the game.

If Aromin can persuade a few Chinese boxers of the standard of Nick Wan, of Shanghai, or David Young, the Honolulu Chinese-born boxer who only a few days ago scored a decision over Little Dado (of Manila), world flyweight champion, to come to Hong Kong, enough interest might be aroused amongst Hong Kong's Chinese sportsmen to get some of them interested in the game.

With that achieved, Aromin would have covered the first milestone on his ambitious project, but until then boxing will probably remain very much in the back-ground.

## GROUND BALLS CHIEF CONCERN OF WAKEFIELD

Dick Wakefield's early impression of American League pitching is:

"The ball comes up a little faster. There is a little more stuff on it. Pitchers are smarter. 'Still the pitching doesn't look too tough.'"

Wakefield, the 20-year-old Michigan sophomore whom Walter O. Briggs paid \$45,000 to sign a Detroit contract, smiles ruefully and admits he has a lot to learn. But he has the utmost confidence in his ability to hit well.

Against fast ball pitching, he's likely to maim an infielder or lose the ball at any time. He tells you frankly that a good curve gives him most trouble. It is his feeling, that is, causing Wakefield's chief concern, the handling of ground balls in particular.

Wakefield says he learned considerable working out with the Tigers, Indians, Reds and Dodgers on his unprecedented shopping tour. If he fails to stick in the big show it won't be the fault of the Detroit players and coaches.

Club de Recreio:—H. A. Barros and W. A. Reed, A. V. Remedios and J. F. Goncalves; J. J. Remedios and J. B. Goncalves.

Indian Recreation Club:—S. A. and O. Ramjahn, A. H. Madar and H. D. Ramjahn and A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack.

THIRD DIVISION.  
K.C.C.A.—D. H. Hazell and B. G. Baker; D. Llewellyn and N. Bebbington; K. Kloss and A. N. Other.  
Club de Recreio:—H. F. Goncalves.

## SOUTH CHINA WIN SECOND 1941 LEAGUE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

By "Incog"

SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WON THEIR SECOND LEAGUE TENNIS TITLE IN THE COURSE OF FIVE DAYS WHEN THEY BEAT CHINESE RECREATION CLUB BY 8 SETS TO 1 AT KING'S PARK YESTERDAY TO ANNEX SECOND DIVISION HONOURS. LAST THURSDAY THEY ALSO BEAT C.R.C., IN FOURTH DIVISION, TO RETAIN THE DUNLOP SHIELD FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN SUCCESSION.

It is interesting to note that last year South China almost carried off this honour, losing to Chinese R.C. in the play-off.

With their Third Division team virtual champions, the 1941 season will stand out as the most successful one South China has ever enjoyed in the League.

The games yesterday attracted a very large crowd to King's Park, and well was it worth the trouble too, for the games were always interesting, although one would not think so to judge by the scores.

### No Outstanding

Outstanding player for South China yesterday was without doubt their captain, W. C. Ho, in spite of the fact that he and his partner, W. T. Lee, were the only pair to drop a set.

A left-handed player, Ho hit the ball very hard and his over-head shots, particularly, had a lot of sting in them. They dropped their set to Luk and Choy, but by that time they had already won the match, having taken all six sets by the end of the second round, and they were taking things easy—though it must be said that the C.R.C. pair deserve full marks for the determined way they took advantage of every opportunity that came their way.

Dr. S. C. Dew, despite his 50-odd Summers, was also prominent with some good tennis, but K. H. Yip, who recently created an upset at C.R.C. by beating Tsui Yan-pui in that club's tournament, was off form.

### No Ka-lau's Play

For South China, Luk and Choy never gave up trying, even after the game had already been lost, and both these players brought off some good ground shots. Lu Tak-

cheuk spoiled many a chance by being over-anxious to finish off a rally with an "ace" which, however, seldom came off.

Ho Ka-lau, formerly one of the Colony's leading lights, but now showing signs of giving way to Father Time, played a mediocre game. He put some seemingly easy returns into the net, but his judgement was still of a very high standard, particularly in regard to lobbing.

Scores were as follow:—  
K. H. Yip and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.) beat T. C. Lu and K. L. Ho 6-1  
beat K. C. Ng and O. L. Pang 6-3  
beat D. C. Luk and P. F. Choy 6-1  
W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho (S.C.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-2  
beat Ng and Pang 6-1  
lost to Luk and Choy 3-6  
S. C. Dew and B. Szeto (S.C.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-3  
beat Ng and Pang 6-1  
beat Luk and Choy 6-4

### Table To Date

|            | Sets | P. W. L. | D. | F. | A.  | Pts. |
|------------|------|----------|----|----|-----|------|
| S.C.A.     | 4    | 4        | 0  | 0  | 3   | 3    |
| C.R.C.     | 4    | 2        | 1  | 1  | 20  | 16   |
| K.T.G.C.A. | 4    | 2        | 2  | 0  | 17½ | 19½  |
| K.C.C.     | 3    | 1        | 2  | 0  | 8½  | 13½  |
| S.C.C.     | 4    | 1        | 3  | 0  | 11  | 25   |
| A.T.C.     | 3    | 0        | 2  | 1  | 19  | 1    |

## WHEN RUNS COUNTED COBB WAS THERE

Here are a few more reminiscences concerning Ty Cobb, who Jimmy Fox said better than Babe Ruth in a baseball article in last Thursday's "China Mail".

He was the first to pull and bunt and run. Rossman, the old Tiger first baseman, was the best bunter of his day. One afternoon Ty said to him, "If I get on, bunt the first and I'll go around to third." They worked it many times.

"Cobb was always setting up plays," Moe continued. "He'd do certain things every day for a couple of months, then would catch the other side napping by doing just the opposite in August when those wins counted most."

"For example, he'd hit an ordinary single to the outfield, take a wide turn of first base and trot leisurely back while the fielder was lobbing the ball into second base. He'd keep doing it. Then, later in the year when the run meant the game and a win meant a higher notch in the race, Ty would start the same play, but instead of trotting back to first as the fielder tossed easily to the second baseman, he'd be off for second like a flash and be in scoring position with the big run. He'd set up the same play on a double and later take that extra base to third. "He'd set up a play on Hal Chase, a great defensive first baseman. Moe went on: "Every time Ty would get to third, hold round the bag by a couple of yards. And each time Chase would get the ball, toss quickly to the third baseman and almost catch Ty before he could get back. One day Cobb drew the throw, but instead of diving back, kept on going and scored the winning run."

## TO-DAY'S HOCKEY MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Hockey Section of European Y.M.C.A. will be held this afternoon at 4.30 p.m.

### Veterans' Help Youngster

Wakefield is the son of a ball player and that is all he ever wanted to be. His father, Howard Wakefield, who died recently, caught for Cleveland and Washington. Dick Wakefield wanted to be a catcher, too. He worked out with the Indians, too. He reported to Fisher, the one-time Yankee pitcher, coaching Michigan, as a backstop.

Fisher at once recognized that the 6-foot-2, 160-pound kid belonged in the outfield. He took away a great left-handed hitter with speed and a strong arm. So he yanked Wakefield out from behind the pad and made a job of the job. He did well but not phenomenally.

Nick Wan, of Shanghai, and Luis Legan, retired heavyweight champion of the Orient, will meet over 10 rounds with the heavyweight title at stake, at Rizal Memorial Coliseum, Manila, on September 3. In a said in aid of the British War Relief Society.



# AMERICA FACES LEANEST TENNIS SEASON IN COURSE OF 20 YEARS

America is witnessing the first tournaments in what may be its leanest tennis season for more than 20 years.

The war has prevented the usual influx of international talent which made the amateur game so attractive, and made some inroads in the ranks of native players as well, since a number of promising younger players have taken places in the armed forces. With Davis Cup competition in abeyance until the war's end, a prime incentive for the younger players is lost and some of the most interesting competitions cancelled.

## U.S. BLANK INDIA IN INTERNATIONAL

By "Referee"

IN AN INTERESTING BASEBALL GAME AT CHATHAM ROAD YESTERDAY UNITED STATES QUALIFIED TO MEET PORTUGAL, HOLDERS, ON SATURDAY WHEN THEY DEFEATED INDIA BY 7 RUNS TO NIL.

India gave a good display in view of the fact that several of their players had not played this season. Their fielding was, on the whole, good but they could not do much against the pitching of Pawloski, who was backed by an excellent field.

O. el Arculli pitched the whole distance for India and his deliveries appeared slow, though the Americans could not connect properly. Hussain was the outstanding fielder for India and was safe with everything that came his way. He was prominent with a number of good catches at centre field.

### U.S. Battery Good

Hamet covered the initial sack well, while Razack did creditably in his first attempt behind the plate. Pawloski and Mascavage formed the United States battery and worked the whole distance. Pawloski had the Indian batters in difficulties often, while Mascavage's strong arm gave the Indian base runners little chance to do any pilfering.

Molthen and Waggoner played one of their best games for a long time. The latter was unfortunate to be out at third when attempting to stretch a good two-bagger in the fifth inning.

### Opportunity Lost

After blanking India in the first inning, America opened the scoring through Pawloski on a bad throw by Hamet to M. el Arculli. Batting for the second time India had bases full with one down, but they failed to score. O. el Arculli was out at the home plate on a forced play and Mascavage retired the side when he brought off a neat one-handed catch off Razack in foul territory.

The third inning was featured by a good catch at left field by Nazarin and a neat double play by Kitchell, Bux and M. el Arculli to put out Pawloski and McKenzie.

Hamet reached first base on a walk to advance Kitchell, who had registered a hit. But even with none down India could not break into the scoring column. Razack was caught by Mascavage, while Bux was out to an infield fly. Waggoner did well to catch a fly from Nazarin.

### The Expensive Sixth

The sixth inning proved expensive for India. With bases loaded Pawloski clubbed a three-bagger and was brought in on an error for America to score four runs in that inning.

India still made an effort to score. Hamet was struck out and Razack's hit to left field was well held by McKenzie. Bux bunted but Kitchell, who had taken too big a lead, could not return to third base in time, a throw by

The outstanding newcomer in the early tournaments has been a lad from Ecuador, South America, Francisco Segura. He is a player of great promise and with more experience may gain a place at the top of the world's amateurs.

He attained recognition early with victories over Ladislav Hecht, formerly of the Czechoslovak Davis Cup team, and Frank Bowden, only recently one of the outstanding college stars. He won the Brooklyn (New York) tournament, and reached the final of the competition at the Orange (New Jersey) club, only to be defeated by Sidney B. Wood, a former Wimbledon champion and well-known as a member of American Davis Cup teams.

### Wood In Form

Wood's participation in the early season competitions indicates that he plans a full campaign, probably through the national championships. Frank Kovacs, who fared so well in the Winter tournaments in California and Florida, and Bobby Riggs whom McNeill dethroned, must be reckoned with in any discussion of national competition. Next to McNeill, they are the best on the basis of last year's play.

With Miss Alice Marble gone from the women's amateur ranks to the professional group, there is no player that stands out. Miss Helen Hull Jacobs former champion, is back in the lists again, and, if she continues through the season, undoubtedly will be the one to beat for the title. Mrs. Sarah Paley Cooke, Miss Helen Pedersen, Miss Virginia Wolfendel, and the usual fine group from the Pacific Coast all will be seen in action.

### Professional Boom

The situation has one bright side—the increasing importance of professional tennis—as public interests in their contests grows. An instance of the popularity of the professional game was seen recently in the national professional championship tournament at Chicago and at Forest Hills for the "world championship." The latter, played in the interest of British war relief, drew all the leading players, and in three days of competition they attracted 15,000 spectators.

Fred Perry, now an American citizen, won both at Chicago and Forest Hills, defeating Donald Budge in straight sets, in the latter, 6-2, 6-3. This established Perry as the head man in world tennis again. Wonderfully fit, as always, Perry had all his marvellous strokes at command.

### Coming Events Cast . . .

Perry had served notice of his intentions on the previous day in defeating

## TRANSPORT MINISTER SHOWS LONDON CLUBS IN RIGHT

In view of the expulsion of Arsenal, Chelsea, Brentford, Tottenham, Aldershot, Brighton, Reading, Watford and seven other southern clubs from the Football League because of their refusal to play fixtures laid down by the League on the grounds of excessive travelling, the following report from London, dated August 8, throws an interesting light on the subject.

Mascavage catching him with the wrong foot forward.

| UNITED STATES | R. | H. | E. |
|---------------|----|----|----|
| E. Wilson     | 2  | 1  | 0  |
| Pawloski      | 1  | 2  | 1  |
| McKenzie      | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Mascavage     | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Moore         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Waggoner      | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Molthen       | 1  | 1  | 0  |
| R. Wilson     | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Bowersox      | 2  | 0  | 0  |
| Elder         | 1  | 0  | 0  |
| India         | 7  | 6  | 1  |

| INDIA          | R. | H. | E. |
|----------------|----|----|----|
| Bux            | 0  | 0  | 1  |
| Nazarin        | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Bakul          | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| A. R. Abbas    | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| O. el Arculli  | 0  | 1  | 1  |
| Hussain        | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Hamet          | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Kitchell       | 0  | 1  | 3  |
| Razack         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Struck out     | 4  | 0  | 0  |
| Bases on balls | 2  | 0  | 3  |

Struck out—Pawloski 4, O. el Arculli 0. Bases on balls—Pawloski 2, Arculli 3.

## TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Following is to-day's programme of matches in Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship:

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club:  
L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v. A. J. Kew and Y. H. Tang.  
At Kowloon Cricket Club:  
H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (holders) v. J. V. Ramsey and R. Morrison.

At Police Recreation Club:  
A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v. J. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom.  
At Craigengower Cricket Club:  
H. R. Pinna and B. Baño v. E. G. Post and W. Cameron.

## BASEBALL SCHOOL PROGRESS

By "Grandstand"

"Grandpa" Leung's baseball school is proving a tremendous success and the "grand ol' man" has hopes of displaying his pupils' progress with an exhibition game at Railway Corner this season, between two picked teams from the cream of his disciples.

Take a stroll down to sun-baked Caroline Hill any afternoon, and you will see the diamond maestro in one of his coaching sessions. Talk about keenness, you couldn't drag any one of the players away from their practices, with a team of mules, for the maestro has injected a new spirit into his followers—youngsters who must take the place of the diamond heroes who have been enjoying the roars of the baseball mobs for the past decade, for though these diamond satellites are still glittering brightly, and may do so for many more years, yet, the time must come for them to hang up their gloves.

When that time comes, these youngsters will be ready to step into their shoes. Here, the accent is on youth. "Here's more power to you, Grandpa."

"Grandpa" Leung also has one of the strongest Chinese sides seen for a long time, and chances are very bright for them to cop the international honours this season, especially with Wally Ching paired together with his former battery mate Nip Lum. Most of the Chung Hwa players are included in the line-up whilst Nelson Ma, Hal and Cecil Wing Lee from South China might make the team.

Nothing much has been heard of Sarge Welford's Great Britain team, but you can trust old Welly to round up a team when the time comes for a show-down. Great Britain has been drawn to meet China next week, the winner of the tussle going into the final.

William T. Tilden in five sets. Tilden is still the stroke master, as he displayed in the first two sets, when his cannonball service and tremendous forehand drives kept the former British star at the baseline. But Tilden at 48 has not the stamina of the Tilden of ten years ago, and he was at Fred's mercy in the last three sessions of the match. Richard Skeen, Vincent Richards, Lester Stoen and Keith Gledhill were others in this round-robin, and the crowds seemed greatly pleased by their efforts.

## TENNIS STARS INVARIABLY ARE GOOD GOLFERS

With the name of Jack Crawford, Australia's most famous tennis player, coming into golf news, there arises a thought of the "strangeness" that golf and tennis should go together. One is a still ball game while the other is a sport in which the ball, which in play, is always on the move.

Billiards players have been known to favour golf but here we have two still ball games by which, of course, it is meant that the ball is stationary while the player prepares to bring it into play. Hockey and cricket are "go together" games and many club cricketers use hockey for their Winter relaxation—at least they did in pre-war days—but there is a case of two moving ball games.

The delicate touch needed in billiards has its similarity in golf, with the care needed in putting, but golf and tennis seem to hold no similarities unless it be the hard drive, though that is executed in a different way in the two games.

### Crawford's Success

However, this does not prevent devotees of the one playing the other. Crawford won the New Metropolitan golf tournament in Sydney, this being his second success at the Royal and Ancient game, although he managed to find very little time for practice, owing to his tennis engagements.

Sir Norman Brooks and Vivian McGrath are other Australian Davis Cup players who were good performers at golf; in fact, the former reached the plus mark.

### Case Of Vines

Ellsworth Vines, America's famous tennis player, took to golf a year or two ago, came to England for the championships and almost had to cancel a tennis engagement because he made further progress than he had anticipated in the amateur golf championship. Vines, incidentally, provides the interesting case of a man being an amateur at one sport (golf) and professional at another (tennis).

Perhaps the most famous of these tennis golfers was Andre Gobert, of France. Before the last world war he had built up a big tennis reputation, the French title of 1911 falling to him and he won this again in 1920. Then his prowess as a golfer came to light and he won the French golf championship in 1927 apart from reaching the semi-final of the French Open amateur championship on two occasions.

### Sports Go Together

They are just a few instances which seem to suggest that golf and tennis do go together, and it has just come to mind that C. J. H. Tolley, one of the best known of British amateur golfers, was a tennis player of no mean ability who might have reached the highest

## KEEN BASKETBALL MATCH TO-NIGHT

Judging from their previous performances, the match in the Open Basketball League between Residents' Union and National University, which is down for decision at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 8.30 p.m. to-night, should be an interesting and evenly contested one.

In the curtain raiser, at 7.30 p.m., South China should have no difficulty in obtaining both points from their opponents. Youths.

## ST. LEGER CALL-OVER

Following is the latest call-over at Victoria Club on the St. Leger, to be run on September 6 at Manchester:

Owen Tudor 11-2 t and o.  
Devonian 100-12 t and o.  
Chateau la Rose 9-1 o.  
Bakhtawar 10-1 o.  
Mazarin 100-9 o, 10-1 t.  
Sun Castle 100-7 o.  
Royalist 100-7 o.  
Orthodox 100-7 o.  
Thoroughfare 100-6 o.  
Pottery 100-6 o.  
Starwort 100-6 o.  
Fireweed 20-1 o.  
Dancing Time 20-1 o.  
Lambert Sinner 20-1 o.  
Fettes 25-1 o.  
Turkana 33-1 o.  
Camperdown 40-1 o.  
Royal Academy 40-1 o.  
Sollum 40-1 o.  
Cuedley 40-1 o.  
Fetous 50-1 o.

—Reuter.

The death, at the age of 77, is recorded of A. M. Walters, the Old Carthusian, who with his brother "P.M." formed one of the greatest full-back partnerships in the history of Association football. They played together many times for England between 1883 and 1890 in full internationals. "A.M." was in the Cambridge soccer eleven of 1884-5-6-7 and played against his brother "P.M." in the Varsity match.

honours in the court game had he not concentrated on golf.

In British golf it was always a difficult business to gain one of the qualifying places in the Open championship. It is even harder in the United States where some famous players were "named" among the failures, when qualifying rounds for this year's championship took place.



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# HALF ENEMY CONVOY SUNK

## Fleet Air Arm Scores Great Success

### JOE LOUIS DIVORCE SUIT DROPPED

While the divorce suit hearing was proceeding in Chicago yesterday, Joe Louis suddenly announced that he and his wife were ready to patch up their marital difficulties and forget about the divorce suit.

After their discussion during the hearing, Louis emerged and announced that all differences between them were forgiven.

The lawyer will now ask for dismissal of Mrs. Louis' suit, it was announced. — *Reuter.*

## Tomahawks In Action Off Egypt

**HALF OF AN ENEMY CONVOY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN WAS SUNK, BEACHED OR SET ON FIRE AS A RESULT OF AN ATTACK BY THE FLEET AIR ARM ON SUNDAY NIGHT.**

A communique from R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East yesterday revealed that Swordfish aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm carried out a highly successful attack on an enemy convoy consisting of five large merchant-vessels and a tanker escorted by six destroyers in the central Mediterranean.

One vessel, of 6,000 tons, was hit by a torpedo and sank after two hours. The tanker was also hit by a torpedo and a violent explosion followed.

Aircraft which shadowed the remainder of the convoy, reported later that the tanker was still on fire and had stopped.

Scenes of considerable confusion were taking place, A.A. guns being fired in all directions without any definite target.

A second merchantman was then torpedoed and reconnaissance the following day showed that it had been beached at Lampedusa Island.

### Again Attacked

The ship was there attacked by Blenheims of the R.A.F. and a direct hit with a heavy bomb set it on fire, with volumes of black smoke pouring from it.

In Libya, heavy R.A.F. bombers raided Benghazi and Tripoli during the night of August 17/18th.

At Benghazi, the harbour and shipping were attacked. Bombs were seen to burst on the bases of Juliana, the Cathedral and Central Moles and on railway sidings. An explosion and several fires resulted.

At Tripoli, the harbour was bombed. Hits on the Spanish Mole and Fort caused a number of explosions.

### Tomahawks In Action

An attempt by a large force of Messerschmitt 109's and 110's to attack shipping off the Egyptian coast on Monday was foiled by R.A.F. Tomahawk fighters which gave combat to the 109's and compelled the 110's to drop their bombs some miles from the target.

In the Wolcheff, Deaarech and Gondar areas of Abyssinia, R.A.F. and South African aircraft have been cooperating in machine-gunning and bombing enemy positions.

Direct hits were scored on huts and buildings and Fascist headquarters was destroyed. A number of fires was started. Operating off Malta a Hurricane aircraft intercepted and shot down a Caproni seaplane.

From all these operations two aircraft are missing. — *Reuter.*

## Syria Hostages

Fifteen of the Vichy officers detained in Jerusalem have been released and have returned to Syria, where they are awaiting repatriation.

They are all of very junior rank. Their release follows the return from France of a party of 51 British officers and other ranks.

It is understood that General Dentz and the senior officers with him will be held until all the British captured in Syria and taken to France are released. — *Reuter.*

### GERMANS ARRESTED IN BURMA

FIVE GERMANS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE ESCAPED FROM THE FRENCH FOREIGN LEGION IN INDO-CHINA HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AT VICTORIA POINT IN BRITISH TERRITORY IN BURMA.

They have been brought to Rangoon under a police escort and detained. — *Reuter.*

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## STOP PRESS

The Postmaster-General announces that letters by surface route for United Kingdom, via United States of America, posted in Hong Kong between 3rd and 11th May 1941, have been lost by enemy action.

### HEAVY RAID ON REICH

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held by searchlights for a whole hour while there was fierce A.A. fire from both sides of the river.

But the weather was on the side of the attackers and they dropped load after load of incendiaries and high explosives on factories and railways in Cologne and Duisburg.

### Hide And Seek

"We played our usual game of hide and seek with searchlights and A.A. fire," a rear-gunner said, "and didn't let the fireworks put us off."

"As we turned sharply away from Cologne after the bombing I could see our own fires adding to the light of those that were there before."

"There were as many large fires in Duisburg as Cologne, including a great oil fire on the west bank of the river opposite the inland docks. It was burning fiercely with a heavy cloud of black smoke over it." — *British Wireless.*

### Guided Home

A searchlight beam swept across the sky guided two British bombers safely home and probably saved the lives of the crew and their aircraft.

Gunner Laurence Smith had just gone on duty at a lonely searchlight station when he heard the drone of a British bomber. The engines were "missing" and Smith realised the pilot had lost his way and had engine trouble.

He put the beam on the aircraft and flashed it several times across the sky down to the bomber's base until the pilot realised he was being shown the way home.

He landed safely and another bomber, also lost, followed him in. — *Reuter.*

After a day free from enemy activity over Britain, bombs were dropped on a south-east coast town soon after dark yesterday. There were only two casualties — one serious. — *Reuter.*

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#### MIGHT BE VERY USEFUL

"It might be very useful for President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill to meet from time to time if the war goes on," said Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the U.S., who arrived in Montreal yesterday on a brief visit.

Lord Halifax was replying to a question whether he thought the Churchill-Roosevelt conference was the first of others between the two men.

ASKED WHAT HE MEANT BY "IF THE WAR GOES ON," LORD HALIFAX DECLARED: "IT IS TWO YEARS NEARER ITS END THAN WHEN IT STARTED."

Lord Halifax earlier described the U.S. reaction to the Churchill-Roosevelt meeting as generally favourable.

Lord Halifax lunched with Air Chief Marshal Sir Frederick Bowhill, Chief of the organisation handling planes "ferried" from the U.S. — Reuter.

#### ROOSEVELT WARNING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

President Roosevelt yesterday appealed to Americans to awaken to the grave dangers confronting the nation and declared he expected the war to continue till 1943.

He revealed that Lord Beaverbrook had discussed plans for long-range aid.

The President disclosed he had asked the Army and Navy to prepare estimates of their own needs and those of Britain, Russia and China. — International News Service.

#### THE BEAVER FADES OUT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LORD BEAVERBROOK YESTERDAY CHECKED OUT OF HIS 12-ROOM SUITE IN A WASHINGTON HOTEL AND DISAPPEARED.

Rumour has it that he has gone to Canada, started a tour of U.S. coast defences, is inspecting "Democracy's arsenal" or has gone home because of an imminent British invasion of the Continent. — International News Service.

#### BOMBS DROPPED IN KENT

After a day free from enemy activity over Britain, bombs were dropped on a south-east coast town soon after dark yesterday. There were only two casualties. — Reuter.

## Luftwaffe Concentrating On Besieged Odessa

#### SUBMARINE CACHALOT LOST

The Admiralty in London announced last evening that the submarine "Cachalot" (1,520 tons) commanded by Lt. H. R. B. Newton, D.S.C., is overdue and must be considered lost.

Enemy broadcasts seem to indicate that the entire company of "Cachalot" have been rescued and are prisoners of war. — Reuter.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
HIGH OFFICIAL SOURCES IN LONDON YESTERDAY VIRTUALLY CONFIRMED GERMAN ASSERTIONS THAT THEY HAVE OCCUPIED THE WESTERN UKRAINE.

It is admitted that the pace of the German advance has been "fast" and that hopes have been abandoned of checking the Nazi advance west of the Dnieper.

The same quarters emphasise that the Russians are concentrating on organising the defence of the Dnieper itself, forming a most important point for protection of the rich areas up to the River Don.

Heavy fighting is continuing in the Smolensk sector while the German drive is seriously threatening the outer defences of Leningrad.

IN MOSCOW IT IS STATED THAT THE RED ARMIES ARE FIRMLY HOLDING ON THE NEW LINES IN THE NORTH AND SOUTH.

The official Tass agency claims that military and industrial objectives were damaged in the Soviet raid on Berlin.

#### Withdrawal Succeeds

Moscow circles announce that Marshal Budenny has succeeded in withdrawing the major part of the Ukrainian forces below Kiev.

Marshal Voroshilov's troops are obstructing the Nazi drives in the Leningrad sector beyond Kingisepp.

#### Propaganda Picture

German propaganda dispatches picture Stuka dive-bombers constantly hammering all the Dnieper River crossings and Odessa in an effort to turn the "Russian Dunkirk into a disaster."

The Germans say that the Russians are holding out in Odessa "amid a veritable inferno of flames."

The Nazis claim that the giant power centre at Dnepropetrovsk is now under long-range artillery fire. — International News Service.

#### BOMB OUTRAGE IN HAVANA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Five bomb blasts in quick succession rocked downtown Havana injuring at least 15 slightly and one seriously. One bomb was tossed from a speeding car, wrecking a shoe store. The police suspect anti-Falangists were responsible. — International News Service.

## BRITISH EMBASSY MOVES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

IT IS DISCLOSED IN CHUNGKING THAT THE MUCH-BOMBED BRITISH EMBASSY HAS MOVED FROM CHUNGKING PROPER TO THE SOUTH BANK, THE JAPANESE DESIGNATED SAFETY ZONE, AND IS OCCUPYING THE PREMISES OF THE FORMER GERMAN EMBASSY, BETWEEN THE U.S. EMBASSY AND THE BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

## UNITED STATES REJECTS JAPAN'S OVERTURES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE UNITED STATES IN EFFECT HAS REJECTED JAPAN'S APPEAL FOR THE RESTORATION OF NORMAL TRADE RELATIONS, IT IS LEARNED AUTHORITATIVELY IN WASHINGTON.

The Government made plain it is standing firm on the decision to prevent Tokyo's use of American trade for strengthening the Japanese military machine.

The U.S. indicated she is prepared to let Japan have crude oil and other materials for peaceful purposes.

She is not disposed to resume commercial relations for pushing Japan's expansionist aims.

It was made clear the U.S. intends to continue the drastic sanctions as long as further aggressions are threatened in Asia.

Tokyo was informed in effect that if it refrains from threats it need not fear American-British-Russian encirclement. — International News Service.

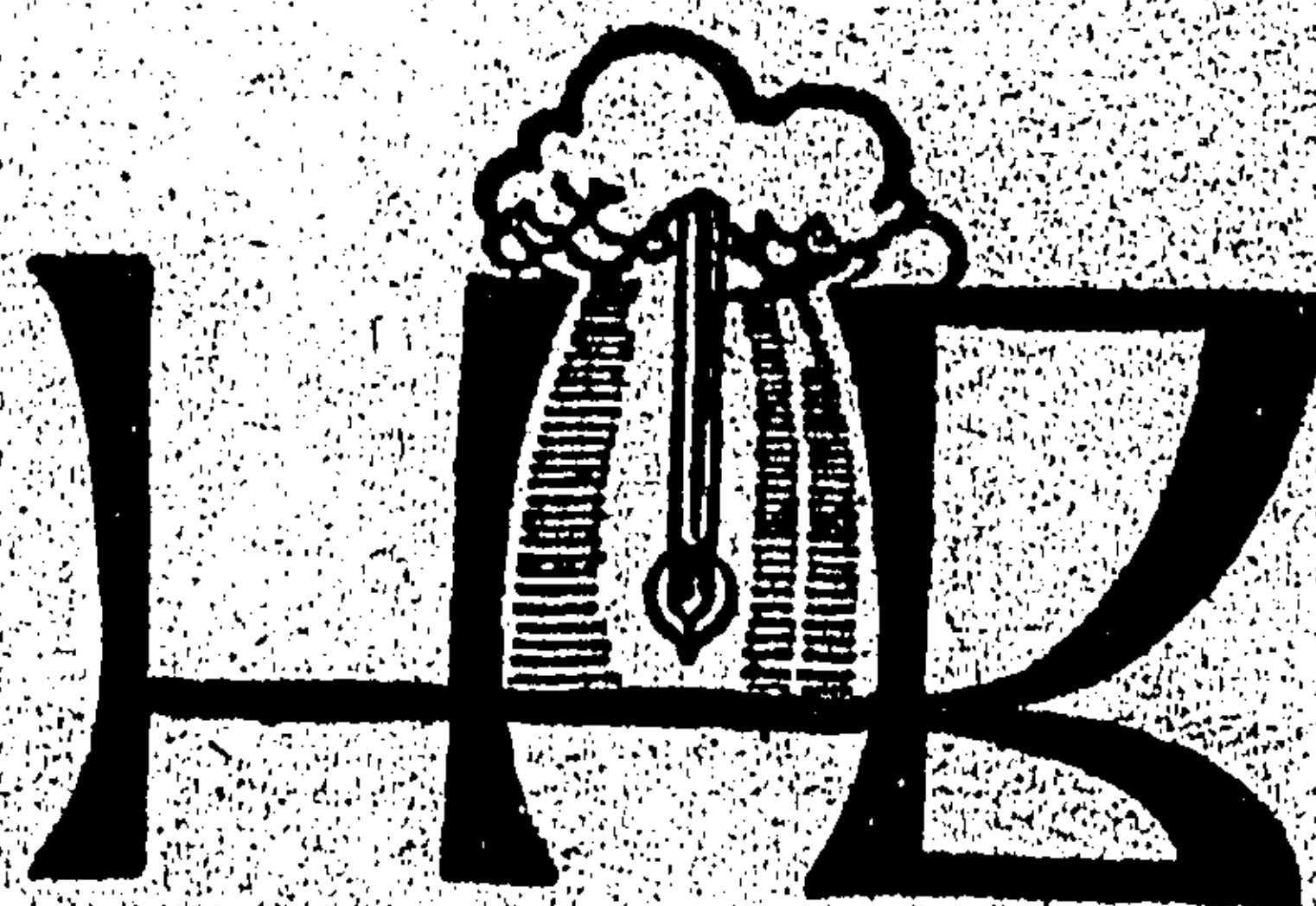
#### SOVIET TANKER LOADED WITH FUEL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The s.s. "Batumi," first Soviet tanker transporting a war shipment, left San Pedro, Cal., yesterday with 80,000 barrels of high-octane aviation spirit.

It is reported that six more Russian vessels will leave shortly. — International News Service.

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# Secrets Of Mr. Churchill's Historic Trip Well Kept

## DETAILS NOW BEING PIECED TOGETHER

BIT BY BIT, THE STORY OF MR. CHURCHILL'S TOUR IS BEING PIECED TOGETHER. THE PRIME MINISTER JOINED THE TRAIN FOR THE DEPARTURE PORT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN LONDON AND THE TRAIN'S DESTINATION AND WITH HIM WERE THE CHIEFS OF THE IMPERIAL GENERAL STAFF, THE NAVAL GENERAL STAFF AND THE AIR FORCE, AS WELL AS SIR ALEXANDER CADOGAN, OF THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

### O.P.M. AND O.P.A.S. COLLIDE

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS COMMISSIONED JUDGE SAMUEL ROSEMAN, OF THE NEW YORK SUPREME COURT, TO STUDY THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE OFFICE OF PRODUCTION MANAGEMENT AND THE OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPLY.

The two offices have not seen eye to eye on some matters of policy—for example the proposed curtailment of motorcar production in order to make room for expanded defence output—and there has been talk of the creation of some "super-defence" agency under Vice-President Henry A. Wallace.

Judge Roseman went to Washington and offered his old friend President Roosevelt his services in any capacity while the court is in recess.—Reuter

The party was deposited at a northern port and embarked in a destroyer, the personnel of which till that moment had no idea of the party to be conveyed.

Soon the Prime Minister and his chiefs were transferred to "Prince of Wales" on board of which there was some astonishment, but in larger measure.

Even the officers in "Prince of Wales," apart from the captain, were unaware of the journey on which they were about to embark.

They know, however, they were taking distinguished passengers and even organised a sweepstake as to their destination.

Of many guesses made, two officers hit upon the right answer. One predicted they were taking the Prime Minister to meet President Roosevelt, the other that they were taking Mr. Harry Hopkins—who was already in "Prince of Wales"—across the Atlantic.

Both being right they shared the "bumper kitty."

### Rough Seas

The weather at the start of the voyage was bad but Mr. Churchill was in fine fettle and appeared to enjoy the rough seas.

In such a vast ship it would take a long time to send a messenger from one part to another, and to facilitate communications, microphones were installed.

When Mr. Churchill called for his detective (Inspector Thomson) his voice could be heard booming through the ship.

After dinner several films were shown, including "Lady Hamilton," which Mr. Churchill saw for the fourth time.

When the picture ended Mr. Churchill turned to the officers and, referring to the Battle of Trafalgar scenes, said: "I thought it would interest you gentlemen, some of whom have so recently been under the fire of the enemy in a matter of equal historic importance."

"Prince of Wales," it will be remembered, took part in the chase of the Bismarck.

### Rendezvous Reached

When the rendezvous was reached Mr. Churchill went aboard the American cruiser "Augusta" and came face to face with President Roosevelt.

He handed the President a letter from the King—then they quickly settled down to business.

Nevertheless the President found time during the day to send over a present to every man in "Prince of Wales" of a carton containing 200 cigarettes, an apple, orange, banana and half a pound of cheese—a thought which was tremendously appreciated on board the British ship.

For the greater part of the time the President and Mr. Churchill were alone and in the meantime conferences went on between the heads of Services, sometimes in the American ship and sometimes in "Prince of Wales."

### Divine Service

Only time the President went aboard "Prince of Wales" was on Sunday when he attended Divine Service with the Prime Minister.

There was not a single untoward incident during the outward journey and no sign whatever of enemy craft of any kind.—Reuter

### FILM OF ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

The King visited the Ministry of Information yesterday to view a private show of a newsreel depicting the meeting between President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill.

Mr. Churchill, accompanied by Mrs. Churchill, was also present.—British Wireless.

### HIGHER PAY FOR AUSSIE SERVICES

The Australian Commonwealth Cabinet has decided to increase certain rates of pay and allowances of the Australian fighting services. Amounts and exact conditions of application have not yet been decided.—Reuter.

## 'RISK' OF ATLANTIC MEETING

The sixth point in the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration made "an offensive and defensive alliance" between the two countries and involved a commitment that might take the United States into war.

This was stated by Senator Johnson in the course of a sharp debate in the Senate precipitated by a denial by Senator Barkley that the possibilities of sending a United States expeditionary force to help Britain invade the continent was either "discussed, intimated or even hinted at" at the Roosevelt conference with Congressional leaders on Monday.

Senator Clark asked Senator Barkley if it would have been an "act of war" if the British battleship "Prince of Wales" had been bombed while the President, his sons and American army and navy chiefs and other U.S. officials were aboard.

He added, did Senator Barkley think "the President deliberately put himself in a position where an act of war might have been committed?"

### "Might Have"

Senator Barkley replied that if an enemy plane or warship had bombed or destroyed "Prince of Wales" while the President was aboard, or the "Augusta" alongside, it "might have created a situation that would have excited the American people and caused some difficulty with a foreign power."

He added the President was "willing to undergo the risk, if it was a risk," of boarding a belligerent warship in order to give the world the joint declaration that grew out of the conference.—Reuter.

## PREMIER'S VISIT TO ICELAND

Mr. Churchill's successful visit to Iceland was the subject of many leading articles in the Reykjavik press.

One daily newspaper said it was most appropriate that the smallest Democratic nation in the world should be the first visited by the British Prime Minister after his historic conference with President Roosevelt.

The Reykjavik correspondent of the Norwegian Telegraph Agency says no foreign statesman visiting Iceland had ever been so enthusiastically welcomed.

Mr. Churchill won all hearts. During the military parade a detachment from the Norwegian forces, although numerically small, attracted great attention owing to their erect bearing and hard appearance.

The Norwegian forces in Iceland consist of naval, military and air units.—Reuter.

## SINGAPORE'S "INSURANCE"

REFERRING TO THE recent arrival of the largest single convoy of Australian troops ever to be sent for the defence of Malaya, the High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, at yesterday morning's meeting of the Federal Council held in Kuala Lumpur, said:—

"The Axis propaganda would have the world believe that the people of Malaya are uneasy and afraid and that the troops in garrison are discontented and overbearing."

"Nothing is farther from the truth. I do not believe that anywhere in the world are the relations between troops and civil population more harmonious and more cordial."

"All the intense activity and all the reinforcements arriving regularly and constantly are nothing more than an insurance for peace."

"We do not seek war but we are fighting against aggressors and the spirit of aggression, and will defend ourselves if attacked."

"We happily have on our Northern border the friendly territory of Thailand, to whom we are linked by bonds of mutual regard and whose peace-loving people we wish well."—Reuter.

### 40 MISSING IN MANHATTAN FIRE

Latest known casualty list in the Manhattan dock fire is seven dead, 55 in hospital and about 40 missing, including longshoremen, some of whom were working in the hold of the "Panuco."

They may have escaped but failed to report themselves or they may have been burnt to death.

Damage is estimated at \$1,500,000.—Reuter.

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# AIR VIEW OF RUSSIAN WAR

## Remarkably Few Indications

### GERMAN PROTEST TO IRAN

REFERRING TO THE GERMAN PROTEST TO THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT THAT IF "GERMAN CITIZENS ARE EXPELLED," DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WOULD BE SEVERED THE "BOMBAY CHRONICLE" SAYS IT IS THESE "CITIZENS" WHO ARE THE SOURCE OF TROUBLE.

Unless German tourists and mechanics had not constituted a potential, and perhaps imminent, danger to Britain and Russia, the two countries would not have expressed their anxiety to the Iranian Government in terms savouring of a threat. — Reuter.

### Loose Fighting Over Vast Front

DESPITE THE MILLIONS OF MEN INVOLVED IT IS REMARKABLE HOW FEW SIGNS OF FIGHTING ARE VISIBLE FROM THE AIR EXCEPT AT ISOLATED POINTS, WRITES THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE ZURICH NEWSPAPER "NEUE ZUERCHER ZEITUNG," DESCRIBING A FLIGHT TO SMOLENSK.

#### NOTES TO IRAN.

There has been no further Turkish press comment on the British and Russian Notes to Iran on the large numbers of Germans in Iran territory.

It is understood the Turkish Government has been kept fully informed of developments by the British and Soviet Ambassadors. — Reuter.

This is apparently due to the loose nature of the fighting over a vastly extended front thousands of kilometres long and hundreds of kilometres deep.

Many villages are completely destroyed yet others outside the zone of fighting are untouched.

The double battle of Bialystok-Minsk left very small visible traces as war material the Russians allegedly left behind was "probably either already largely removed or largely hidden in forests."

The correspondent saw few traces of Soviet fortifications.

"THE RUSSIANS INTENTIONALLY BASED THEIR DEFENCE ON THE FIRE OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS DISPOSED IN GREAT DEPTH, HIDDEN SNIPERS AND WELL-AIMED ARTILLERY EQUIPPED WITH MANY HEAVY GUNS."

"The Red Army also probably regarded tank and infantry counter-attack as one of the chief methods of defence."

#### Smolensk Havoc

Where destruction was visible, for instance at Smolensk, it is terrible. Where villages were not destroyed the Germans ordered collective farms to continue harvesting.

In other parts harvesting is impossible as the returning population find towns and farms burnt-out, cannot replace lost agricultural implements and so face starvation.

In order to tackle the supply problem the Germans have shown astonishing speed in converting one track and double track railways to normal gauge.

Alternatively, they use motor transport and transport planes.

#### Billeting Problem

The quartering of soldiers presents a harder problem. Many German soldiers say they have been sleeping in tents for weeks.

With the possible start of cool weather in the northern and central sectors of the front in September, the Germans will have the task of providing quarters for whole armies in continually more advanced front sectors.

"WITH THE CONTINUING PENETRATION INTO RUSSIA, THE ADVANCING SEASON AND A SOLUTION OF TECHNICAL PROBLEMS, APART FROM ACTUAL FIGHTING, WILL MORE AND MORE DETERMINE THE OUTLOOK OF THE WAR." — REUTER.

#### Vitality Important

The German thrust in the Ukraine is vitally important, according to military experts in London.

The speed of the German advance, although high, is such that no doubt our Russian allies are fighting well in the rear-guard action to the River Dnieper. The Germans have yet to reach the Dnieper in force and then cross the river.

Advance beyond it depends on Russian ability to dispose of sufficient resources to defend the five or six bridges between Kiev and the sea, to watch the river for German efforts to cross and to keep bodies of troops ready to attack any parties which succeed.

A crossing in strength would be exceedingly serious as valuable stretches of Ukrainian country would be open to them with no natural line of defence until the River Don is reached.

### DARLAN'S NEGOTIATIONS WITH NAZIS

The Deputy French Premier, Admiral Darlan, yesterday returned to Vichy from Paris where he had a series of conversations with the occupation authorities, says a Vichy despatch to the German official news agency.—Reuter.

### HURRICANE DISPLAY

THE FIRST HURRICANE FIGHTER SEEN IN AUSTRALIA IS GIVING EXHIBITION FLIGHTS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

The machine is a gift from the British Government, and was promised by the Air Minister, Sir Archibald Sinclair, to Premier Menzies during the latter's visit to England.—Reuter.

### DUKE OF WINDSOR FOR CANADA

Following the Nassau announcement that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor are preparing to go to the Duke's ranch at Calgary next month, the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, yesterday said he learned from the British Ambassador that the Duke and Duchess were planning a visit to Washington. He did not know any details, he added.—Reuter.

## DESPERATE CLASH CONTINUES IN TWO SECTORS

DESPERATE FIGHTING is proceeding in two sectors of the eastern front, in the north near Narva and in the south in the Ukraine, writes "Annalist" in London commenting on the German-Soviet military situation.

The Germans have apparently been assembling their resources for another big thrust towards Leningrad and like all offensives launched with weight and intensity it has met with some initial success.

The Russians admit they have fallen back from Kingisepp, but there is no indication of any breach in their line.

Their defences increase in number and strength the nearer the front approaches to Leningrad, and if the defence yields a little ground under the pressure of numbers, the toll taken in casualties is probably so high that even the Germans must eventually find the price higher than they can afford.

It is probable that a similar offensive is being prepared at Smolensk and Kiev as it would be consistent with German traditions to exercise the maximum pressure on all points at the same time.

#### Stiff Resistance

In the Ukraine the Germans claim to have reached the lower reaches of the Dnieper but Marshal Budenny's rear-guard are putting up stiff resistance on the east of the river further north in the bend, and at no place has a crossing been forced.

It is significant that the Germans make no big claims as to captured prisoners and this would suggest that the main body of Marshal Budenny's army is still intact and will have to be reckoned with even if the Germans succeed in obtaining possession of the whole bend.

#### Remarkable Skill

The question of Russian resistance is largely a question of the reinforcements at Marshal Budenny's disposal.

He has shown remarkable skill in extricating his men from encirclement and the German thrust must be losing vigour with every mile of its progress. It is clear, however, that the High Command is "all out" for a decisive victory before the weather breaks and puts an intolerable strain on their lines of communication.

The Russians have shown astonishing skill in evading being cornered in a position from which there is no issue.

They have practised an elastic defence in most subtle form and have given ground in exchange for infliction of heavy losses.—

#### Soviet Communiqué

The following is the text of the Soviet midnight communiqué issued by the Soviet Information Bureau.

"During August 19 our troops waged battle against the enemy along the entire front, especially stubbornly in the Kingisepp, Novgorod, Gomel, and Odessa directions."

"According to information now available, on August 17, in the course of air combats, 28 German planes were brought down and not 22 as previously reported. "In the night of August 17/18 our planes bombed Ploesti. Our fliers observed large fires and explosions."

"On August 18, 30 German planes were brought down in the course of air combats. We lost 12 planes."

"In the Black Sea our bombers sank two enemy transports and set fire to another transport." — Reuter.

### JAPANESE PLANE SHOT DOWN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It is officially announced in Chungking that one of nine Japanese planes raiding Chungking, below Wanhshien, in eastern Szechuen, yesterday morning was shot down by A.A. fire at an unnamed point.

The plane, which crashed near the border, burst into flames and the crew of seven perished. — International News Service.

### Simple Issue

Discounting the suggestion that his projected mission to London would be treated as a major political issue, the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, told his daily press conference in Sydney yesterday.

"There will not necessarily be a vote in Parliament on the proposal. I think the matter will probably be decided by party meetings before Parliament meets."

"If the proposal is rejected I stay here — that is all." — Reuter.



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# SMUTS PREDICTS NAZI SWITCH OF ATTACK TO MEDITERRANEAN

"ON THE WHOLE I bring back a happy impression both of our men and the general situation but always with this strong feeling — that we are up against it this time," declared Field-Marshal Smuts, when interviewed in Pretoria yesterday on his return from Egypt.

He said that the Germans in Libya were much more formidable than the Italians had been but he was optimistic.

Italy was full of Germans, and these had the advantage of being able to travel shorter distances to the Libyan front, but he expected these difficulties would be overcome by the Allies.

The Russian resistance was using up a large part of the German war machine but some of this machine would remain.

General Smuts added that if the Germans had failed to invade Britain a year ago, when Britain was weak, there was little likelihood of a successful attack on Britain now.

THE CHANCES WERE THAT THE GERMANS WOULD STRIKE AT THE MEDITERRANEAN BASIN—THE ONLY AREA IN WHICH THEY COULD FIGHT.

## Enormous Resources

"We are facing not Italy this time but more formidable odds," said Marshal Smuts. "The Germans have enormous resources to fling against us."

He added that he had never seen South Africans in a better mood. They were among the best trained troops in the Middle East and the South African Air Force had built up an unequalled reputation. —Reuter.

## RESCUES OF PILOTS

Rescues of R.A.F. pilots are described in the Air Ministry news service account of yesterday's fighter sweep over Northern France in which eight enemy machines were destroyed.

Six R.A.F. aircraft were lost but the pilots of two are safe. Both these were rescued by the air sea rescue service.

One of these pilots is a Belgian who shot down a Messerschmitt. He climbed into his rubber dinghy when he came down in the water and was picked up an hour later. —British Wireless.

## THE PIG IN A POKE

THE "VOLKSWAGON," THE PEOPLE'S CAR FOR WHICH MILLIONS OF GERMANS PAID BUT NEVER RECEIVED, APPEARED IN CAIRO STREETS YESTERDAY FLYING THE UNION JACK ABOVE THE SWASTIKA.

The car was captured in Libya by Indian cavalry. It was fitted out as a repair vehicle.

It seats three, the engine develops nine horse-power and from its construction it is obvious it was never intended for civilian use. —Reuter.

## DIES OF WOUND

Mr. Fan Heng-tsh, proprietor of the Dai Wu Tai Theatre in Shanghai, who was wounded in the lung in an attempt on his life on August 17, succumbed in the Lester Chinese Hospital at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, according to a Shanghai dispatch. —Central News.

## WAR WILL LAST YEARS

Mr. Menzies--

A warning to Australians against complacency and slacking of effort and a declaration that the war would be a task years long, was uttered by the Australian Premier, Mr. Menzies, in an address to Sydney businessmen yesterday.

Warmly praising Russia, Mr. Menzies said: "Thank God for what the Russian army has done, is doing and is going to do."

Praising Government control of prices, profits and interest rates, Mr. Menzies said this would continue after the war and was part of the new order which was being built already. He added that historically it was true that no country with a population of seven millions had undertaken as much as Australia had undertaken in this war. —Reuter.

## JAPAN'S NAVAL MISSION LEAVES

After having been six months in Germany, Japan's special naval mission is returning to Japan from Cadiz on Friday, travelling via South America, says Reuter from Madrid.

## ANNA NEAGLE TO PLAY AS AMY JOHNSON

Anna Neagle, the film star, and Herbert Wilcox, the producer, have left New York by Clipper for London to make a film of the life of Amy Johnson.

Miss Neagle (says a Reuter telegram from New York) is travelling under the name of Florence Marjorie Robertson.

## BRITISH AIR POWER

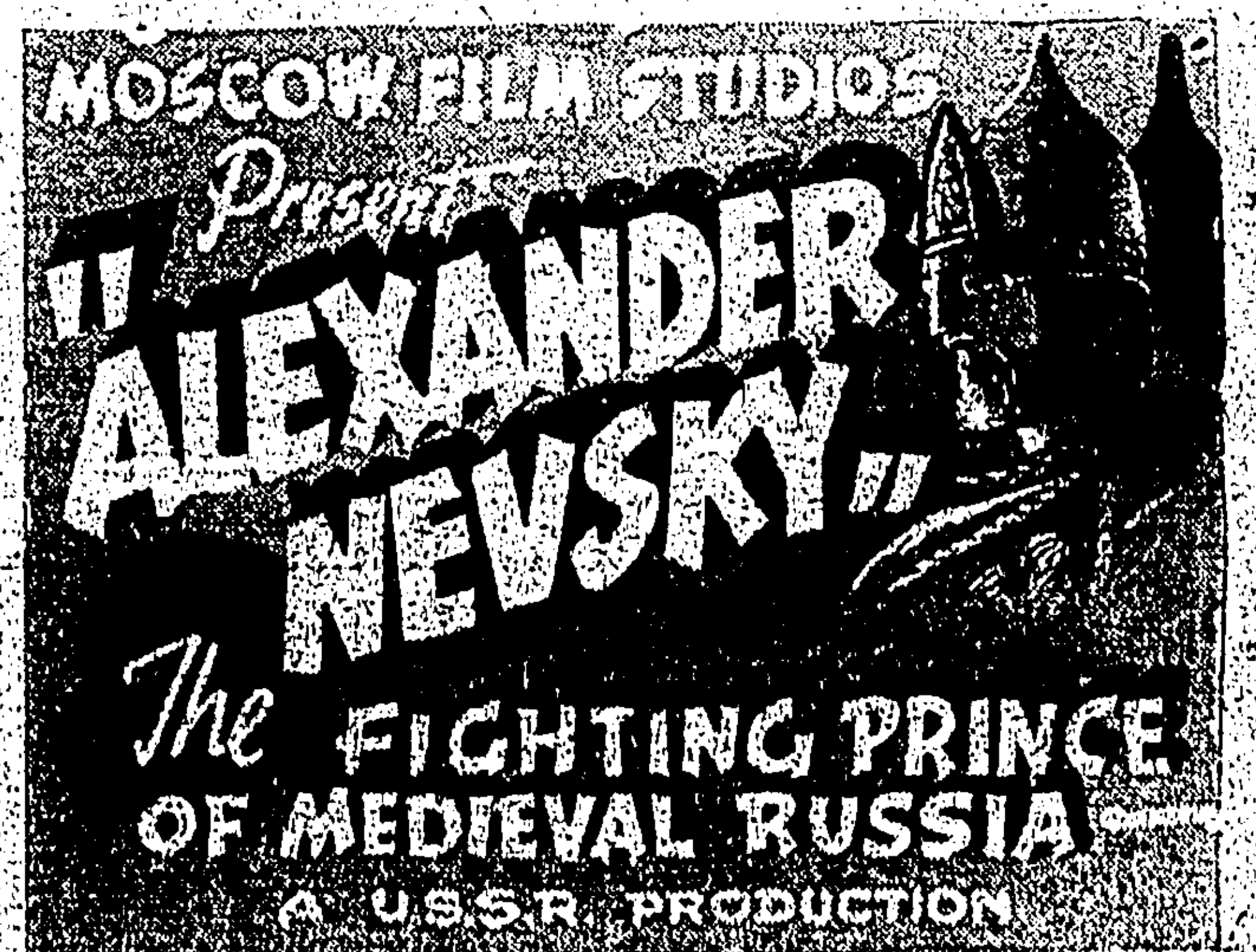
Announcement that British bombers over Germany frequently number over 300 nightly, and publication of the figures of bombs dropped in three weeks over the Ruhr, Cologne and Hamburg, have impressed Turkish public opinion as never before with Britain's air might.

It has also done much to remove the misleading impression created by German communiques when they speak about "isolated British aircraft," and so on. —Reuter.

## KIEV MESSAGE TO BRITISH WOMEN

According to messages received in London a large meeting of women in the Ukrainian capital, Kiev, yesterday drafted a reply to a message from the women of Birmingham, in which the following sentence appeared: "Hand in hand with you we are participating in a holy war against death-dealing Fascism." —British Wireless.

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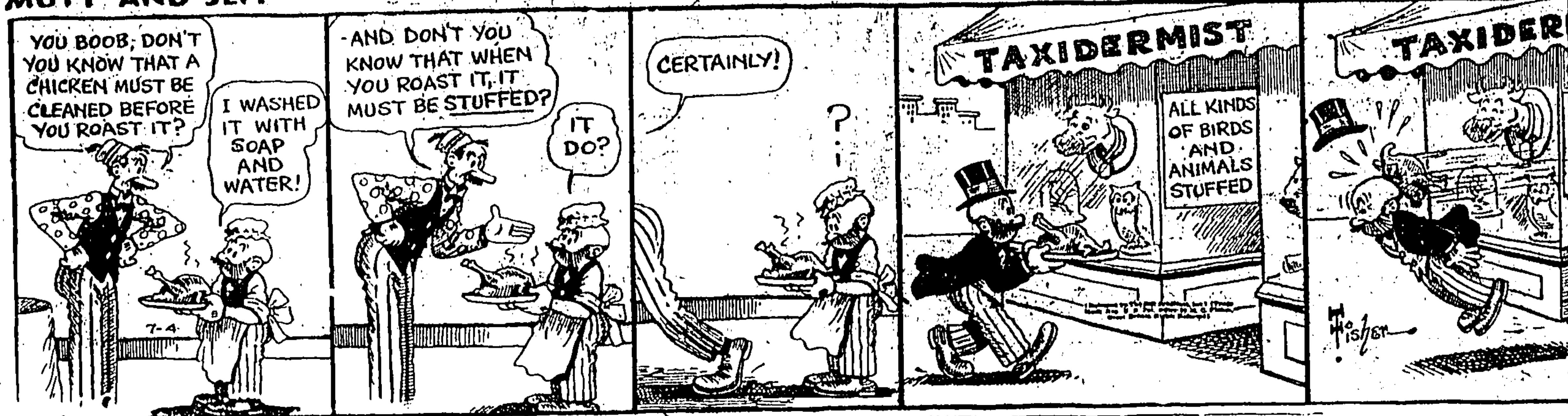


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## MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



## AMERICA URGED TO ENTER CONFLICT

A call to abandon the "defend America" and "aid Britain" slogans and adopt a policy of full participation with Britain to defeat Nazism, was recently cabled from London to New York by Mr. Evarts Scudder, liaison officer of the Committee to Defend America.

The National Director of the Committee replied: "Our programme urges full participation to win the war and organise the peace."

"We will only have the right to a vigorous voice in the establishment of world justice if we are willing to make a contribution, whatever the sacrifice, to winning the war."

Mr. Scudder declared the Committee reaches 15,000,000 Americans and has never been so full of life. —Reuter.

## GERMANS ARRESTED IN BURMA

FIVE GERMANS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE ESCAPED FROM THE FRENCH FOREIGN LEGION IN INDO-CHINA HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AT VICTORIA POINT, IN BRITISH TERRITORY, IN BURMA.

They have been brought to Rangoon under a police escort and detained. —Reuter.

## Soviet Raid On Berlin

Soviet planes raided the Berlin area on Monday night, according to Moscow radio.

Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military and industrial objectives in Berlin, where fires and explosions were observed.

All the Soviet planes returned safely to base. —Reuter.

## NAZIS FLEE FROM R.A.F. FIGHTERS

British fighters broke up a German fighter patrol trying to cross the south-east coast the other morning. There was a running battle high above the heat haze. Machine-gun and cannon fire were heard for several minutes, and then the enemy fled seaward.

## SURVEY OF 1943 WAR NEEDS

The war would continue through 1943 if necessary and Britain and the United States would make a survey of needs and production through that year, stated President Roosevelt yesterday.

The President told his press conference that the war was one of the subjects discussed at his luncheon meeting with Lord Beaverbrook.

President Roosevelt told reporters he thought his conference with Mr. Churchill would result in what one newspaperman called more punch in helping the Democracies of the world. —Reuter.

## Sharing A Joke

Discussing arrangements preceding the meeting, President Roosevelt said that from the American end the whole idea was to assure the security and safety of Mr. Churchill and his staff.

The joke was, he said, that it was later found that the principal anxiety of the British party was the safety of the President and those accompanying him.

## Well Kept

The secret was well kept, President Roosevelt said, yet the press had good reason to notice the absence of certain key figures in Washington and London.

The newspapers, he added, should be congratulated for their restraint during what he called "a black-out week."

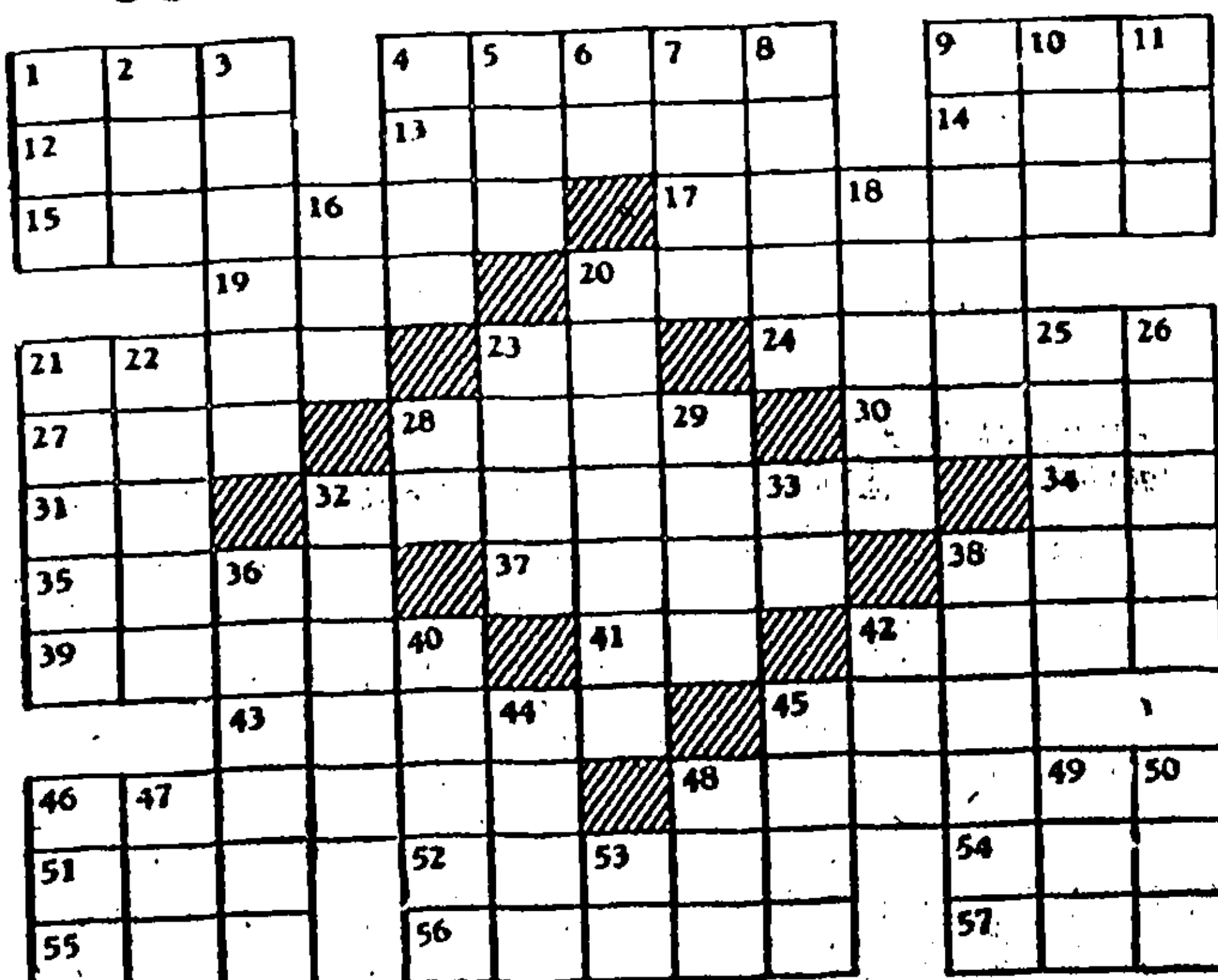
He added that even now the time and place of the meeting could not be divulged and perhaps could not be until after the war. —Reuter.

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- 14 Trouble
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- 17 Spangle
- 19 Seed coating
- 20 Caper
- 21 Satellite
- 23 Proposition
- 24 To summon forth
- 27 To bring forth
- 28 Fish sauce
- 30 Poetic sufficient
- 31 While
- 32 To elucidate
- 34 Musical syllable
- 35 River in Africa
- 37 Sediment
- 38 Hindu weight
- 39 Former rulers
- 41 Spanish article
- 42 Cries like a sheep
- 43 Liturgical address
- 45 Feline

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- 3 Game fish
- 4 To loan
- 5 To urge
- 6 Alas!
- 7 To stretch over

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- 11 To decay
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- 18 Donated
- 20 Workshop
- 21 Intended
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- 23 European mountain system
- 25 Chosen
- 26 Pitchers
- 28 Chopping tool
- 29 To entitle
- 32 Macabre
- 33 Pronoun
- 36 Greek letter
- 38 Persian prince
- 40 Strip of leather
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# GEISHAS AMONG JAPANESE EVACUEES FROM HONG KONG

ABOUT THIRTY Japanese residents — some with tears streaming down their cheeks and others covering their feelings behind smiles and laughter — boarded the Japanese vessel, "Shiragane Maru" which sailed for Canton at 8 a.m. to-day.

The majority comprised the entire staff of the geisha girls of the Chitose Hotel, Kennedy Road, — some 15 in number — who have been evacuated to the Canton branch of the Hotel.

In their traditional national costumes, the geishas presented a colourful scene on the poop deck of the ship, where they remained waving silk handkerchiefs to friends and former patrons on the wharf until the ship was out of sight.

Among the passenger were a few men and families of Japanese shop-keepers in Wanchai, while the third class compartment was packed to capacity with Chinese passengers.

As the ship left the O.S.K. Pier, all the first and second class passengers crowded on deck to bid a final farewell to friends and relatives.

## Weepy Eyes

Some of the women started sobbing, and three or four of the geisha girls were also observed wiping their eyes.

"See you in Canton soon," "Don't forget to write," "Take the first boat for home," "Send the children to school," were some of the many requests which were exchanged between passengers and those standing on the wharf.

Another batch of Japanese women and children will be leaving in the same vessel on Sunday. A number of men will also be sailing to Canton.

## MINERS' GIFT TO RUSSIANS

A TELEGRAM FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE BRITISH MINERS FEDERATION TO M. IVAN MAISKY, SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN LONDON, FOR TRANSMISSION TO RUSSIA, SAYS:

"I wish to inform you we are presenting a sum exceeding £70,000 for Russian workers struggling against Fascist aggression.

"We express profound gratitude and admiration for the heroic struggle waged with supreme valour by your heroic Red Army men, Navy men and airmen." — Reuter.

## AMERICAN ALL-SLAV CONFERENCE

An American All-Slav Conference has been called for early October. It is announced in Moscow in a new series of feature broadcasts to America entitled "As a Moscow Yankee sees it."

The speaker said "Slavs in America listened emotionally to the appeal from Moscow for an All-Slav Conference. It will lead American Slavs to unite their efforts." — Reuter.

## JUNKERS ATTACKS ONCE TOO OFTEN

An Admiralty communique states: "A Junkers 88 which attacked a group of minesweepers has been shot down into the sea.

The enemy aircraft was hit by light A.A. fire from the minesweepers in group and by a shell from H.M. trawler Charles Doran, and it was seen to dive into the sea. There were no casualties or damage to our ships." — British Wireless.

## SHANGHAI FUEL SHORTAGE

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] THE ACUTE FUEL SHORTAGE HAS FORCED THE SHANGHAI POWER CO. AND THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL TO ANNOUNCE A NEW PROHIBITIVE CHARGE ON EXCESS POWER USAGE, DESIGNED TO FORCE THE PUBLIC TO ECONOMISE IN CURRENT.

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The approach of autumn forces the authorities to consider the position of the city's fuel supply. Few stocks are being shipped in and the present local supply is slowly decreasing. — International News Service.

## U.S. ARMY DECISION

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] The U.S. War Department announces that "unless the U.S. is more seriously involved in the international situation," they will begin releasing draftees and National Guardsmen in December under the system calling for an average service of 14 to 18 months.

Where hardship is suffered by dependents immediate releases will be forthcoming. — International News Service.

Four men who were charged with a breach of the Anti-Cholera Regulations by selling oysters in Cheungshawan Road early this morning, were each fined \$10 or two weeks by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon to-day.

## EIGHT NAZI FIGHTERS DESTROYED

Eight German fighters were destroyed by R.A.F. fighters in offensive operations over Northern France yesterday morning, it is learned in London.

Six R.A.F. fighters are missing but the pilots of two are safe. — Reuter.

## PLANNING AFTER THE BLITZ

THE PLANNED REBUILDING OF TOWNS WHICH HAD SUFFERED HEAVILY FROM AIR RAIDS WAS MENTIONED YESTERDAY BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WAR DAMAGE COMMISSION.

Mr. Trustram Eve said he had just completed a tour of these towns and although everyone would wish it had come about in another way, a long needed opportunity had been given by air raids to carry out a very necessary measure of replanning. He revealed that in some 16 cities, including London, Birmingham, Coventry, Liverpool, Plymouth and Sheffield, the power given by Parliament to prohibit rebuilding except with the permission of authority, had been exercised with the result that no rebuilding could take place until those concerned with good planning had completed their scheme. Mr. Eve stated that comprehensive legislation dealing with the whole subject of planning was contemplated. — British Wireless.

## MR. CHURCHILL LUNCHEONS WITH KING

The Prime Minister had an audience of the King yesterday and afterwards lunched with His Majesty at Buckingham Palace. Mr. Churchill was loudly cheered by a large crowd as he drove from Downing Street. — British Wireless.

## MARSHAL PETAIN'S GOSPEL OF AUTHORITARIANISM

"YOU ARE EITHER for me or against me," declared Marshal Petain to Frenchmen yesterday.

"Love of liberty remains constant in the proud people of France but a free people is one in which each is subject to the law and the law is all powerful.

"That is the guiding principle of the regime which I am trying patiently to build amid innumerable difficulties.

"After the peace our first need will be order — without that, neither liberty nor prosperity is possible."

Marshal Petain was speaking after having taken the oath of loyalty of members of the Council of State — highest judicial body in France, at Royat.

He appealed to the Council to give him undivided support. — Reuter.



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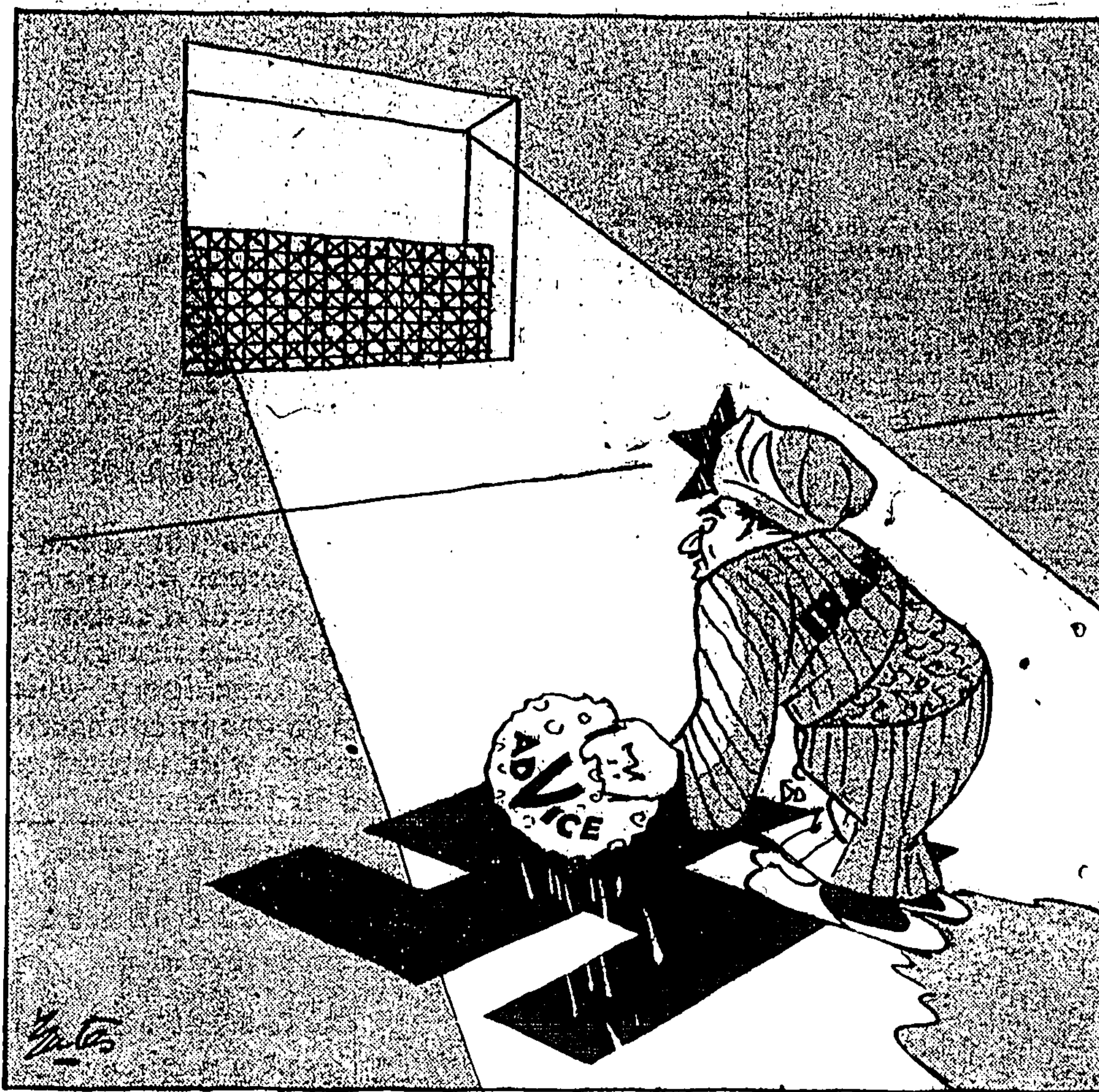
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## BOMBS OVER MOSCOW

No capital in the world offers a target to the bomber as conspicuous as the Kremlin. This is a city within a city, the secret fortress of a Government which the Commissars of the People took over from the oldest and most absolute Czars. The high walls are broken by towers and turrets that jut sharply into the sky. Within the vast enclosure are palaces and churches crowned with spires and bubbling domes that are doubly reflected in a wide bend of the Moscow River. It would be strange if the German raiders failed to score a hit on this shining mark in their initial attack, as the Russians claimed. The Nazis said that twelve bombs struck the "Kremlin area" and started fires in Soviet administration buildings. Whatever the truth, eyewitnesses agree that the Luftwaffe has failed to inflict serious damage on the city or to demoralise the population.

The hardy Muscovites bear the ordeal of the blitz with calmness and courage. But what are the reflections of Joseph Stalin, supposing he keeps vigil in the Kremlin while Hitler's incendiaries rain on the roofs of the Soviet capital? Moscow was the last city that was expected to be bombed. Stalin had manoeuvred to turn the tide of battle away from Russia. He had plotted to insure the Soviet Union against involvement in a struggle which was to ruin the rest of the world and leave Russia immune from attack from any quarter and all-powerful when the belligerents were exhausted. If his thoughts turned back to another night in the Kremlin when he rubbed his hands in satisfaction as Ribbentrop and Molotov signed the fatal pact that started the war, the first German bomb must have fallen on his ears like the crash of a great boomerang. Perhaps his citadel was unscarred, but Stalin sat nevertheless amid the wreckage of his policy and the ruin of his plans. The flares dropped on Moscow were the inexorable backfire of the shells that in days past exploded over Warsaw.

The thoughts of Adolf Hitler could hardly have been less grim and bitter as he launched the attack on Moscow. For if he conceived the assault on Rus-



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## DUNKIRK TO THE BISMARCK: EPIC OF THE SEAS

From the unbelievable to the unthinkable. From the unbelievable miracle of Dunkirk to the unthinkable destruction of the unsinkable Bismarck lie twelve months of which, in the words of A. V. Alexander, "our naval history has probably never seen the like."

The end of May, 1940, to the end of May, 1941, was for the British Navy a year of stirring, glorious achievement.

Deprived of its French ally, it had to carry out alone a task which, in 1918 was shared by five fleets.

Never in history has such a burden been borne before by a

ber of times in which the Navy has delivered powerful blows against the enemy without itself suffering any loss at all.

There was the Battle of Cape Matapan, in which Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham's force destroyed a third of the effective strength of the Italian fleet.

The British ships returned to their base with not a scratch or a dent to show that one of the most memorable battles of the war had been fought.

Tripoli—Italy's chief naval base in North Africa—was pulverised by our guns without the slightest loss or damage to our own forces.

Vice-Admiral Sir James Somer-

the promotions that have followed upon recent successful naval operations carried out at relatively small cost.

Besides offensive operations, carried out on a line that stretches from the Lofoten islands of Norway to Mogadishu in Italian East Africa, upon the Navy has fallen the task in the past 12 months of being prepared at any moment, at the shortest warning, to smash any attempt at invasion by sea, and at the same time to meet the full weight of the offensive launched by Germany against our Atlantic supply line. The full story

# The Navy's Year

single fleet, or even by a combination of fleets.

And yet, notwithstanding losses, it can be said to-day, as Churchill could say but a few weeks ago, that the Royal Navy remains essentially as intact as it was in September, 1939.

The Bismarck was destroyed, unfortunately, at the cost of the Hood, but a striking feature of naval engagements of the past year—a year packed with naval history—has indeed been the num-

sia as a means of stopping the war in the west, if he hoped that his enemies would be diverted from their purpose provided he turned the full weight of his war machine on the Soviet Union, he must be cruelly disappointed to see that this grandiose plot has failed. The rumours of peace talk in this vein that spread in Ankara and other centres suggest that the Russian campaign, like all its predecessors, was undertaken in a final desperate attempt to end the fighting on Hitler's terms. If this is true, and if the effect of the drive east is only to strengthen and encourage the forces of resistance, then bombing of Moscow spells also the failure of Hitler's policy.

ville took the Renown, the Ark Royal, the Malaya, and the Sheffield right into the jaws of Genoa's shore batteries and sailed away again without as much as the loss of a single man after wrecking the famous Ansaldo arms factory, setting fire to oil tanks, putting the main Genoa power station out of action, and causing havoc in docks, railway yards, and among the Italian ships in the harbour.

The sweep of the Adriatic early this year was carried out, including the bombardment of Valona, without loss or damage to any of the ships taking part.

The sweep of the Eastern and Central Mediterranean in October last, during which three Italian warships were caught in the net and destroyed, was accomplished at the cost of a few casualties on board the cruiser Ajax.

The amazing exploit at Cherbourg, when British warships, their engines roaring at full speed, dashed into the enemy-occupied harbour, pounding it with 40,000 tons of explosives, was a dare-devil action which cost us nothing in ships or men.

All these were successful offensive actions completely upsetting the old theory, which still has its adherents in some quarters, that you can't have a naval victory without heavy losses!

In 1800 Admiral Cochran was refused a request that one of his officers should be promoted after an engagement in which a superior Spanish force was captured on the grounds "that the small number of men killed (14) did not warrant promotion!"

The gallant old admiral retorted that Nelson's ship, the Victory, had come out of the decisive Battle of Trafalgar with even fewer losses.

That standards have changed since Cochran's days is shown by

of the Battle of the Atlantic cannot yet be told, but the sinking of the Hood off Greenland revealed the fact that we are using capital ships to patrol the Atlantic.

That gives the measure of the enormous burden placed upon the Navy during the past 12 months. There are no idle ships in this war, no rusting keels.

Since June of last year not only has the Navy had to meet and counter the full force of the German offensive in the Atlantic, it has had to keep the supply lines open to the Near East, assist in land operations and keep the Italian Fleet bottled up; it has also found time to shell Calais, Dunkirk, Ostend, Cherbourg, Valona, Genoa, Kismayu, Mogadishu, Sid Barrani, Sollum, Bardia, Derna, Benghazi and Tobruk, as well as cooperate with land operations in Greece and Crete.

Not all naval operations, however, have been without losses. And here there is a lesson to be learned. If the loss of the Hood is excluded, it can be said that the greater part of our naval losses have been in narrow waters, such as in Norway and among the Greek islands, where the manoeuvrability of ships is reduced and where the proximity of enemy shore bases gives enemy aircraft a local advantage.

But the Navy has faced this new factor of naval strategy unflinchingly. It has carried out its duty, intervened where necessary regardless of danger.

On three historic occasions, in Norway, Dunkirk and Greece, its intervention has frustrated Hitler's land campaigns from achieving their full purpose—the annihilation of a British expeditionary force.

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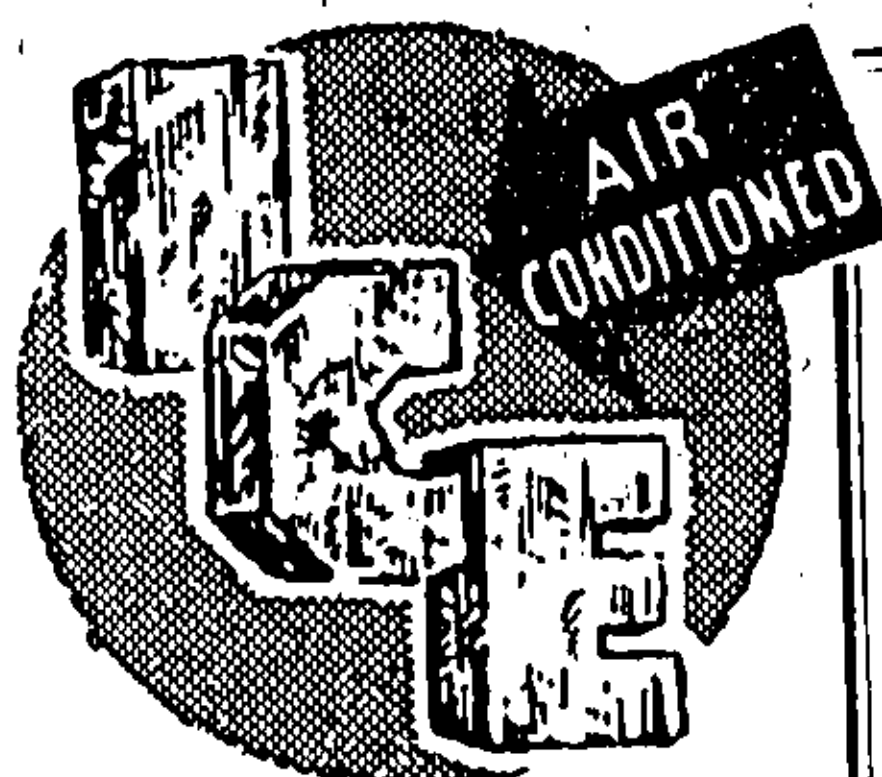
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# FACTS BEHIND BARTER PLAN REPORT

THE FOLLOWING AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT WAS ISSUED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT ON REPORTS OF A BARTER TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BRITAIN AND JAPAN:—

"Rumours of negotiations for a barter trade agreement between Great Britain and Japan seem to have risen out of a communication to the Yokohama Specie Bank of information as to banking machinery which they would be permitted to use in connection with any movement of goods which might, exceptionally, be licensed in future.

"The position is that in order to ensure that the effect of the freezing order will be fully maintained, frozen funds will not be released to finance exports to Japan.

"Arrangements are, however, being made to secure that if in any particularly case it is decided to license imports, payments for such licensed imports will be made to clearing account, the balance on which will be available only to pay for licensed exports.

### Strict Limit

"Export licences will be granted for approved goods only within the limit of funds available on clearing account.

"Similar arrangements are being made in other parts of the Empire.

"Maintenance of diplomatic and consular representation will be financed in a similar way." — Reuter.

### Japanese Wishful Thinking

There is no confirmation in authoritative circles in London of reports emanating from Japanese sources that trade negotiations either have been or are about to open between Japan, Britain and the N.E.I.

The stories probably owe their origin to Japanese wishful thinking but have no foundation in fact.

It may be recalled that M. van Maak, the Netherlands plenipotentiary who had been conducting the negotiations with Japan, resigned about a fortnight ago on his functions coming to an end and has not been replaced. — Reuter.

### UNITED STATES VERY GRATIFIED

Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, told correspondents to-day that the United States Government was "very gratified" to receive the Chinese Government's endorsement of the Roosevelt-Churchill statement which was formally handed to him by Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to Washington yesterday morning.

Mr. Hull added that China was the first foreign government to endorse the historic statement. — Central News.

### Business Lunch

Lord Beaverbrook lunched with President Roosevelt and Mr. Harry Hopkins in Washington yesterday.

It is presumed they discussed expediting the flow of war supplies to Britain, and possibly aid to Soviet Russia. — Reuter.

### CHOLERA CASES

Seven cases of cholera and eight of dysentery were reported during the 24 hours ended at midnight yesterday.

## FURTHER DENIAL OF DEMANDS

Foreign press reports that Japan has presented various demands to Thailand and has fixed an eight-day time limit were denied in a communique broadcast over Bangkok radio last night.

THE COMMUNIQUE REVEALS THAT THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY CALLED ON THE THAI PREMIER TO DENY THESE REPORTS.

Besides denying the reports the communique reaffirms that Japanese-Thai relations are unchanged. — Reuter.

## Syria Hostages

Fifteen of the Vichy officers detained in Jerusalem have been released and have returned to Syria, where they are awaiting repatriation.

They are all of very junior rank. Their release follows the return from France of a party of 51 British officers and other ranks.

It is understood that General Dentz and the senior officers with him will be held until all the British captured in Syria and taken to France are released. — Reuter.

### Appointment Confirmed

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") THE U.S. SENATE YESTERDAY UNANIMOUSLY CONFIRMED THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. WILLYS R. PECK, EMBASSY COUNSELLOR IN PEIPING, AS MINISTER TO THAILAND.

The Senate also upheld the confirmation of Mr. Rex G. Tugwell, former member of President Roosevelt's "brain trust," as Governor of Puerto Rico. — International News Service.

### CAPT. ROOSEVELT IN LONDON

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Capt. Elliot Roosevelt, second son of the President, has arrived in London on military business and is remaining several days. Presumably he travelled with Mr. Churchill. — International News Service.

## THAT INVASION PROSPECT TURNS UP AGAIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") President Roosevelt has advised Administration members that Britain is seeking a 12,000,000,000 Lease and Lend programme, five billions over the present sum.

The amount would be used to provide tanks and other aggressive equipment, presumably for a continental invasion. — International News Service.

## Credits To Soviet

The question of United States credits to Russia was raised at a press conference held in Washington yesterday by the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, according to a Washington despatch to the Dow Jones Agency.

Mr. Hull conceded the difficulty of Russia paying on the spot for more than \$40 millions worth of materials since the Soviet Union only had that amount in the U.S.

He recalled, however, that Russia had stated that all purchases would be paid for and said that the question of extending credits to Russia was up to the Secretary of Treasury and the Federal Loan Administrator.

As against only \$40 millions held by Russia in the U.S., Soviet requests for equipment are put as high as over \$1,000,000,000 by some reports. — Reuter.

## U.S. PROTEST IN TOKYO

It is learned from a reliable source in Tokyo that U.S. Ambassador Joseph Grew's visit to Admiral Toyoda, the Foreign Minister, concerned the restrictions against the departure of Americans wishing to leave Japan.

An "Asahi Shimbun" despatch from Washington had intimated that important representations were made, presumably on American shipments to Vladivostok.

With reference to the restrictions, opinion is that the whole question is hypothetical in view of the absence of means of transport. — Reuter.

## Malta Gives Greeting

Enemy fighters which approached Malta yesterday morning had a warm reception. British fighters intercepted them and shot down three without loss to themselves, states a communique. "One fighter pilot shot down two of the enemy and one of the raiders was shot down in flames over Sicily." — Reuter.



# Many Officers And Men In Middle East Decorated

## HEAVY RAID ON REICH

An Air Ministry communique dealing with R.A.F. night activity states: "Cologne and Duisburg were again attacked by aircraft of the Bomber Command on Monday night."

The weather was fine and a great number of heavy bombs were seen to burst in both towns. Many large fires were left blazing.

Another force effectively bombed the docks at Dunkirk.

Eight of our aircraft are missing.

Fighter Command aircraft on offensive patrol attacked enemy airfields in occupied territory during the night.

Once more the Germans appear to have brought up new defences for the Ruhr and Rhineland, the Air Ministry news service states in describing the R.A.F. attack.

One bomber over Cologne was held by searchlights for a whole hour while there was fierce A.A. fire from both sides of the river.

But the weather was on the side of the attackers and they dropped load after load of incendiaries and high explosives on factories and railways in Cologne and Duisburg.

### Hide And Seek

"We played our usual game of hide and seek with searchlights and A.A. fire," a rear-gunner said, "and didn't let the fireworks put us off."

"As we turned sharply away from Cologne after the bombing I could see our own fires adding to the light of those that were there before."

"There were as many large fires in Duisburg as Cologne, including a great oil fire on the west bank of the river opposite the inland docks. It was burning fiercely with a heavy cloud of black smoke over it."—British Wireless.

### Guided Home

A searchlight beam swept across the sky guided two British bombers safely home and probably saved the lives of the crew and their aircraft.

Gunner Laurence Smith had just gone on duty at a lonely searchlight station when he heard the drone of a British bomber. The engines were "missing" and Smith realised the pilot had lost his way and had engine trouble.

He put the beam on the aircraft and flashed it several times across the sky down to the bomber's base until the pilot realised he was being shown the way home.

He landed safely and another bomber, also lost, followed him in. — Reuter.

### ATTEMPT TO EVADE CONTROL

"It is nowadays very difficult for the police to arrest masters of firewood shops as they instruct folks to sell firewood away from their shops," said Inspector W. H. Nolloth before Mr. H. C. MacNamara at Kowloon this morning when prosecuting Chan Chung-hing, 25, and Chan Lih, 31, married woman, for selling firewood without a permit and at a price higher than that fixed by the Controller of Trade.

Both were arrested in streets yesterday selling at 30 cabbies for \$1.

Accused were fined \$20 or one week on the first charge, and \$200 or one month on the second.

NEARLY 80 officers and men are named in last night's "London Gazette" for gallant and distinguished service in the Middle East.

Col. (temporary Brigadier) James Kingstone, late cavalry, who already holds the D.S.O., and M.C., receives a Bar to his Distinguished Service Order. He was in 1932 appointed to the command of the Ninth Queen's Royal Lancers when he was only 38 — an exceptionally early age for an officer to command a regiment in peace time.

## HIGH PRAISE INDEED

During recent operations in the Western Desert a report written by the field officer of the German Afrika Korps on the subject of infantry warfare under desert conditions came into British hands.

Interesting feature of this report by one with great experience of the African campaign was the comparison between Australian and German troops as desert fighters.

This German senior officer had no doubt as to which was the better fighter.

He summed up the Australians as superior in the following respects — in the use of small arms, especially as snipers, in making the most of terrain, in the use of camouflage, in ability to observe carefully and draw sound deductions, and in the use of ruses of all types.

Australian snipers won high praise from him, many of his N.C.O.'s having been shot through the head the first time they poked their heads over the front line to make observations.

Australian troops were also given unstinting praise for accuracy of fire behind artificial created dust screens, and the report expressed amazement at the speed with which the Australians moved even heavy batteries behind such screens.

### Toughness In Defence

It has been long recognised that the Australians are second to none as shock troops but it is interesting to find this German senior officer particularly emphasising admiration for their toughness in defence.

His report complains that Australian soldiers are much too cunning for the Germans, whom he describes as "mostly simple souls".

Final grumble is at the feebleness of the Germans as trench diggers, which the writer considers to be 60 per cent. of the work of infantrymen.

He expects them to have more opportunity of practising in future and cites as perfect models the British trenches near Tobruk. — British Wireless.

## CHANNEL AIR WAR

LATER OFFICIAL REPORTS DISCLOSED THAT THREE BRITISH BOMBERS AND 12 FIGHTERS WERE LOST DURING EXTENSIVE OPERATIONS OVER THE CHANNEL AND NORTHERN FRANCE YESTERDAY.

Coastal shipping off Ostend and off the Dutch coast, and targets at Hazebrouck, were among the objectives of the raid. Twelve enemy fighters were destroyed. — Reuter.

## SHANGHAI AGAIN FLOODED

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Many Shanghai streets were flooded as heavy rain, heralding a typhoon, lashed the city causing considerable damage but no casualties. Part of the transport network was idle. — International News Service.

## FINES ON POLISH STOWAWAYS

Two Poles, Gerszel Apfelban, 37, and Szepsel Lewin, 26, charged with stowing away and with vagrancy, were fined \$25 or two weeks' hard labour, and ordered to be expelled from the Colony, by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning.

Accused arrived from Shanghai on board a British ship without having their passages. They said they were en route to Palestine to join the army.

Both pleaded not guilty to vagrancy, stating that there were many Jewish Societies and relatives and friends, who were willing to help them at any time.

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# BRIDGE NOTES

## PRESERVING CONTROL

By The Four Aces

"When this hand was played," writes Mrs. J. M. S., of Baltimore, "my partner failed to make his contract. One of the opponents hinted that the hand should have been made, but refused to say any more, claiming he didn't want to start trouble between my partner and me. My partner was my husband, but we don't fight over bridge hands—so will you please tell us if the hand should have been made?"

West, Dealer  
East-West vulnerable  
NORTH  
♠ J 7 3  
♥ Q 9 3  
♦ A Q J 5  
♣ A K J  
WEST  
♠ A K Q 8 4  
♥ K 6 5 2  
♦ 6  
♣ 7 4 3  
EAST  
♠ 10 6 2  
♥ 4  
♦ 9 8 4 2  
♣ 9 8 6 5 2  
SOUTH  
♠ 9 5  
♥ A J 10 7 3  
♦ K 10 7 3  
♣ Q 10

The bidding:  
West North East South  
1♠ Dbl. Pass 3♥  
Pass 4♥ Pass Pass

"West led three rounds of spades, and my husband ruffed the third. Then he led the ten of clubs to dummy's King and led the eight of hearts for a finesse. West held off, so the Queen of hearts was led next. When East discarded, South put up the Ace of hearts since the finesse couldn't succeed. West took the next heart and led a fourth spade. That forced out the last trump from the South hand, so West made his last trump and the remaining spade.

"Was there anything wrong with this line of play?"

As long as you assure us that we won't start any trouble, we'll agree with your opponent. The hand should have been made. The play was perfect up to the second round of trump. At that point, South should have taken a second finesse instead of putting up the Ace.

If West took his King, dummy would still have a trump to take care of a fourth round of spades. And if West still refused to win, South could then cash the trump Ace and run the minor suits until West got ready to take the high trump. The important thing was to preserve control of trumps.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q J 5  
♥ K J 7 3 2  
♦ A Q 9  
♣ 7 4

The bidding:  
Jacob Schenken  
1♠ Dbl. 1♥ Dbl. (1)  
Pass Pass

ANSWER: Bid two hearts. This free bid shows your strength and, coming after your penalty double, your length in hearts. There is no need to make a jump bid, but you cannot afford to pass and thrust the responsibility on your partner.

Score 100% for two hearts, 50% for three hearts, 10% for pass.

## Question No. 799

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K J 7 3 2  
♥ 8 5 3  
♦ J 4  
♣ 9 7 3

The bidding:  
Maier Jacoby You Schenken  
1♠ 2♠ (1)  
What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

## KILLED BY FALL

Falling from a height whilst working on a hillside in Prince Edward Road at noon yesterday, Wong Fat, 25, coolie, succumbed to his injuries in the Kowloon Hospital three hours later.

# POIGNANT INCIDENT IN DIJON

An interesting story is told by Lt.-Col. L. B. Jones and Major R. B. Scott, two among the officers detained by the Vichy authorities contrary to the Syria armistice terms and who have now been repatriated.

They belong to the 4th/6th Rifles, and told the press on reaching Cairo yesterday that all the prisoners were deeply touched by an episode at Dijon.

A young French girl, ignoring the German guards who glowered at her, took out a little Union Jack from her handkerchief and waved it at the prisoners, at the same time making a sign indicating faith in British victory.

The Colonel declared: "She had a very brave smile but certainly not a happy one. Other French folk in the station gave us victory signs but most were too frightened of the Nazi guards to say anything, but this girl was most courageous, running up and down the train openly expressing joy at seeing us."

"A curious thing was that throughout the railway journey across Yugoslavia and southern Germany we saw no sign of cattle, sheep or goats. Only in unoccupied France were there apparently any cattle left." — Reuter.

# HONG KONG VARSITY POST

The University of Hong Kong has decided to invite Dr. Chen Yin-ko, former head of the History Department of the National Tsinghua University and now professor of history in the Lingnan University, to serve as Professor of Chinese Literature to replace Professor Hsu Tishen who died on August 4.

Dr. Chen will serve on a temporary basis pending the final decision of the University authorities on the choice of a successor to the late Professor Hsu. Dr. Chen, a graduate of Harvard, was the first native-born Chinese professor of Oxford University, in 1937. He speaks 13 languages.

Chinese educational and cultural organisations in Hong Kong are to hold a memorial service for the late Professor Hsu. The date has been tentatively fixed for September 21 at Confucius Hall, Caroline Hill Road.

# Nearing Mass Production

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] NINETY PER CENT OF AMERICA'S DEFENCE PROGRAMME IS NEARING MASS PRODUCTION. THE HOUSE MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES—INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.



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# RISE IN VALUE OF DOLLAR

Chinese circles in Chungking are gratified at the rise in the value of the Chinese dollar in the Shanghai market.

A semi-official statement declares: "The market rise in the foreign exchange value of the Chinese dollar in the Shanghai market yesterday was the result of the operation of the Chinese Currency Stabilisation Fund."

"In constituting an important measure to strengthen the exchange value of the dollar, the operation of the Stabilisation Fund will contribute towards the maintenance of the exchange rate of the dollar, which will in turn benefit legitimate Sino-foreign business." — Reuter.

## Financial Backing

Financial circles in London consider the action of the Chinese Currency Stabilisation Board in improving the value of the Chinese dollar as an indisputable expression of Anglo-American determination to put their financial weight behind Chungking.

The action which is clearly in the nature of an economic reinforcement for China is believed to be the result of the Board's newly devised plan for dealing with exchange problems. — Central News.

# THREE ATTEMPTS

WONG KONG, 22, WAS SENTENCED TO FOUR MONTHS' HARD LABOUR AND RECOMMENDED FOR BANISHMENT BY MR. H. C. MACNAMARA AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING FOR LOITERING AND FOR BREACH OF BOND.

Inspector W. H. Nolloth, prosecuting, stated that at 3.15 a.m. yesterday, Mr. F. Wong, of the Credit Foncier D'Extreme-Orient's office at No. 220, Prince Edward Road, ground floor, was awakened by a noise. He got up but could find nothing. About 10 minutes later, he was again disturbed, and saw accused clutching the window bar. He chased accused.

Some 15 minutes later, Mr. Wong was again disturbed and found accused trying to force himself through the window bars and, this time, arrested accused.

# EXCEPTIONALLY BAD CASE

A fine of \$2,000, or three months' hard labour, was imposed on Lau Sin-chau, 38, by Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, for possession of a private code without permission. Another man, Leung Yiu-chung, 27, charged with the same offence, pleaded not guilty and was discharged.

Mr. F. W. Shaffain, A.D.C.I. (C), told the Court that the case was an exceptionally bad one. The code was used for the purpose of illegally exporting large quantities of various kinds of metal.

# A SUSPECT

With 13 previous convictions, She Wong-cheong, 30, unemployed, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, with loitering at No. 13, Connaught Road West yesterday.

According to Detective Sub-Inspector F. Nolan, accused was seen on the stairway of the premises, when the Police raided a place in the vicinity. Accused was cautioned and warned by Mr. Sheldon.



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## Bringing Up Father



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

# Holiday Made Happier

At last that holiday has arrived and you plan to get away from it all and have some fun. That's fine and I hope nothing will interfere with your plans. But do let me caution you to prepare for those two weeks so you will get every possible bit of fun out of them.

First do not load your trunk with a lot of unnecessary clothes. Fresh cottons, light woollens, a sweater or two and play clothes are about all you need. Perhaps a couple of casual evening dresses will be required for gala nights. You will want a lot of exercise during your holiday so see that your swim suit fits. Above all see that everything you cart along is in apple-pie order. There will be no time for sewing on a snap or taking up a hem— all those little details should be attended to before your clothes are packed.

It is good to bear in mind that low-heeled shoes are the natural accessory for all play clothes— cotton dresses, shorts, slacks. A girl looks positively silly trying to walk along the beach in a pair of high-heeled sandals! See that you show better taste and better sense.

This summer girls have determined to keep their hair out of the sun, so gayly coloured turbans and scarves become a vital part of one's play wardrobe. For every costume have a head covering that adds a dash of harmonising colour. Then wear it!

It is nice to carry scads of fresh undies if you can afford to be so stocked. If you are limited then you should buy silk jersey or silk seersucker underthings and nighties as they are easily washed out and require no ironing if they are stretched before you hang them to dry. As personal daintiness is vital to charm and allure you cannot afford to economise on laundry, and some very active days you will require two and three changes. A deodorant is a "must" as you can see.

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aids you are used to using at home. You must have a sun cream, a cleanser, a lubricant, plenty of face tissues, manicuring aids, and make-up. Naturally you do not need to wear other than a lipstick and a bit of powder once your skin takes on new beauty from wholesome outdoor life, but until then you will need a protective powder, foundation, perhaps rouge, lipstick and powder. And about hair aids. You will

not want to give up much time for beauty visits so equip yourself with a good brush, comb, some curlers and bobby pins. A quick setting lotion might come in handy although fresh water or cologne serves just as well.

Waterproof mascara, lipstick and powder foundation are fun to have!

Also take a half dozen fresh wash cloths and a box of fresh puffs.

## Somebody's Poorly--

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1. Don't let their bedrooms get stuffy. Have windows open, but see there is no draught on the "patient."

2. See that their hot meals are really hot and not half cold.

Put the food on HOT plates and cover them—even carrying them the short distance upstairs cools them quickly, and there is nothing more unappetising than half-cold food when you're not up to the mark.

3. Use your most attractive china and tray linen, and not uncovered trays and cracked cups and plates.

4. See that they've got a clean handkerchief under the pillow, and given them a fresh pillowcase every day... you'd be surprised what a difference this makes to their sleeping and comfort.

5. If they need sleep, don't let the sun or a bright light fall direct on to their face.

6. Leave a glass of water or

milk beside the bed where they can reach it easily, and don't forget to cover it with a serviette or saucer.



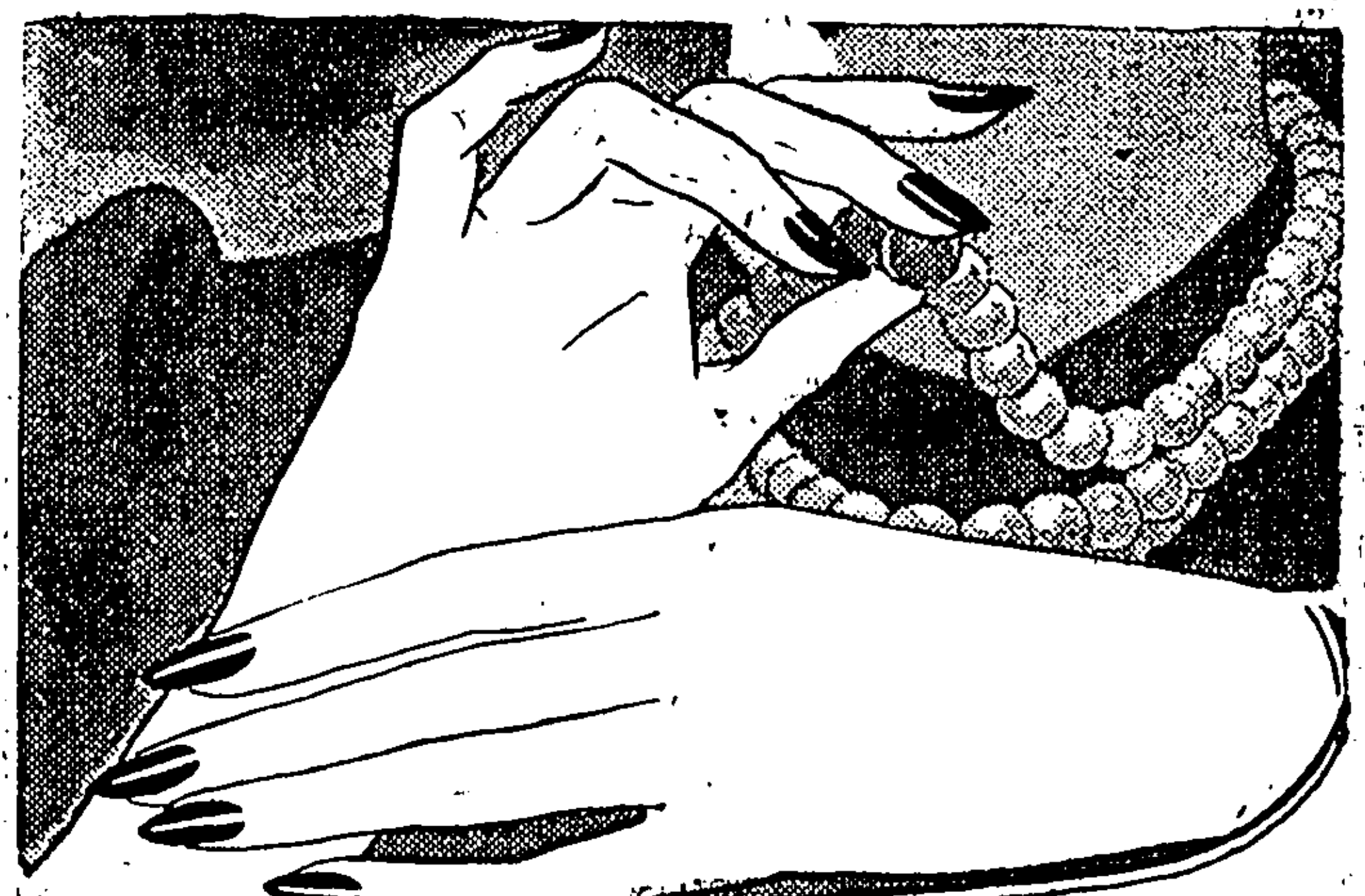
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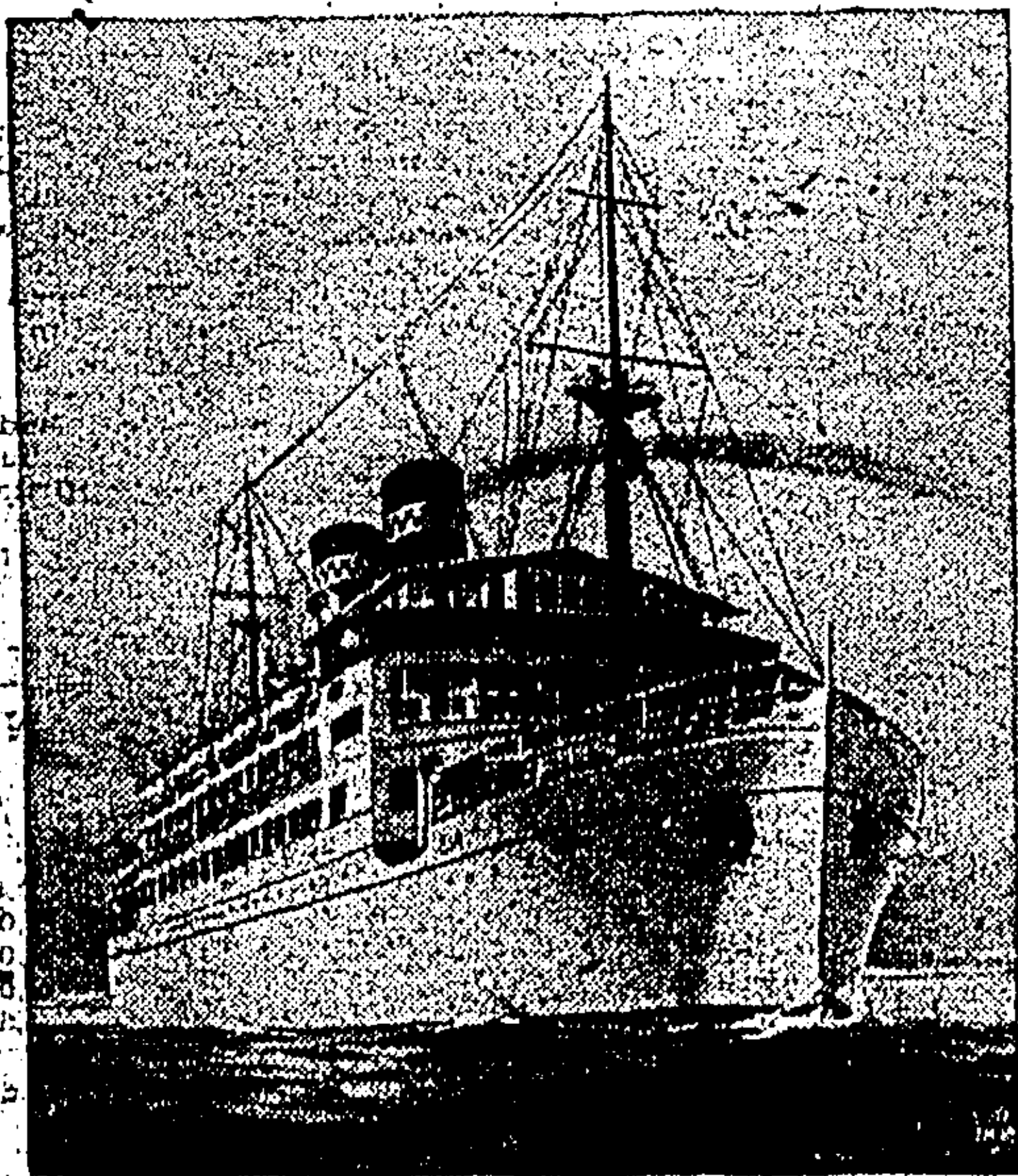
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"The Prime Ministers of all provinces in which the working of the constitution has been uninterrupted were invited by the Viceroy to join the National Defence Council in their capacity as Prime Ministers and regardless of their personal, party or communal affiliations." — Reuter.

**FIJI GIFT TO MALTA**

The Fiji War Appeals Board has voted £200 towards the Malta Relief Fund "in token of the admiration felt by one island colony for another island colony that is so splendidly withstanding the brunt of enemy air attacks in the Mediterranean." — Reuter.

**RADIO**

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—"He Wanted Adventure"—Musical Comedy. Bobby Howes and Company with Theatre Orchestra conducted by Joseph Tunbridge.

7.22 p.m.—Albert Sandler (Violin) and His Orchestra.  
Souvenir D'Ukraine: Black Eyes—Russian Impression (Ferraris); Spanish Serenade (Johnny Heykens); La Tosca—Fantasia (Puccini)—arr. Tavan; Down In The Forest (Sir L. Ronald); Estudiantina (Waldeuteufel)—Waltz; Dolores (Waldeuteufel)—Waltz; Allegro (Flocco, arr. Bent & O'Neill); Pale Moon—Indian Love Song (Logan, arr. Kreiser); Sandler Minuets—Intro; Mozart Minuet in E Flat; Bizet Minuet from "L'Arlesienne"; Boccherini Minuet; Handel "Berenice" Minuet; Beethoven Minuet in G; Mozart Minuet and Trio; Divertimento No. 17.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.  
8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.  
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
8.32 p.m.—A Light Irish Programme.  
An Irish Symphony—Scherzo (Sir H. Harty)... Sir Hamilton Harty conducting The Halle Orchestra.  
Kathleen McVurra (Mrs. J. Crawford)—F. Crouch... Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra.  
Londonderry Air (Sir H. Harty)... The Halle Orchestra cond. by Sir Hamilton Harty.  
A Little Irish Dash Of Dublin (from "Peg of Old Drury")... Anna Neagle (Soprano) with Orchestra.  
Rakes Of Clonmel—Jig... Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano.  
When Paddy McGinty Plays The Harp—Fox-Trot... Music That Wins by the McFarland Twins.  
Mason's Apron—Reel... Frank Murphy (Accordion) with Piano.  
What'll I Do If I Marry A Soldier... Music That Wins by the McFarland Twins.  
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.  
9.02 p.m.—New Variety & Dance Music.  
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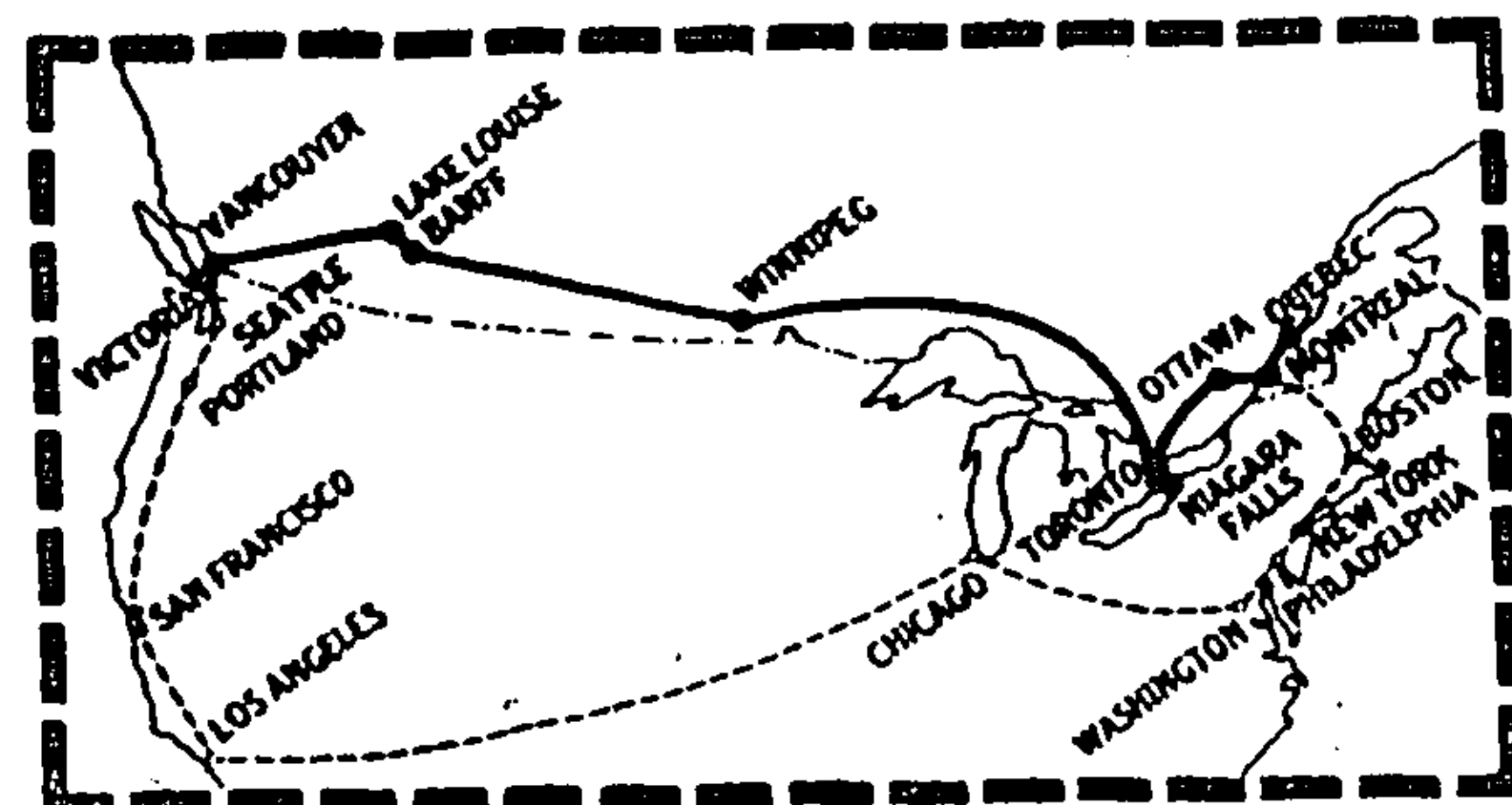
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# U.S. WAR WITH JAPAN INEVITABLE SAYS MR. HALLETT ABEND

"WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN IS JUST AS INEVITABLE AS WAS WAR BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY, AND FOR THE SAME REASON: IT IS IMPOSSIBLE INDEFINITELY TO MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS WITH A BAD NEIGHBOUR."

This is the prophecy made in a widely publicised article by Mr. Hallett Abend, former Far East correspondent of the "New York Times," which appeared on August 3 in the magazine "Look."

For a week in nightly nationwide broadcasts "Look" has been advertising this feature, which has been termed the most blighting indictment of Japan yet to appear in any American periodical.

Mr. Abend's article says that, broadly speaking, the fact of Herr Hitler being a bad neighbour is the cause of the present chaos in Europe, and that Japan's being a bad neighbour is responsible for the inevitable drift toward war by the United States.

Japan is termed the prototype of Nazi Germany—"arrogant, greedy, scornful of the rights of others, and with the temperament of a bully."

Listing specific causes for a war which he says cannot be avoided, Mr. Abend names Japan's violation of treaties concerning China, and then argues that even aside from ethical reasons the United States cannot permit Japan to be permanently successful in her campaigns of aggression and expansion. Success, he forecasts, would make Japan so powerful within two decades that American physical safety would be endangered, "the Japanese temperament being what it is."

## No Reversal

It is now impossible for Japan to reverse her policies, the article argues, not only because of the question of "face," but because no appeasement would satisfy America and Great Britain which did not include the withdrawal of Japanese armed forces from all of China, and the desertion of Japan's puppet regimes there.

For economic and political reasons Japan does not dare to call home her army of more than 1,000,000 men, it is stated for she could not give them employment nor afford a dole, and the returned armies might easily be stirred to a revolution.

The "Look" article argues that Japan's adherence to the German-Italian Axis pact would not deter Tokyo's opportunist statesmen if they thought they could appease America and Britain, and still keep what they have conquered. It also charges that when the time seems opportune, Japan will carelessly break her treaty of friendship, neutrality and non-aggression concluded with Soviet Russia on April 13 of this year. But Japan will not attack Russia unless Hitler has first broken the Soviet power of resistance, it is prophesied.

Japan's military clique, trying clumsily to play at diplomacy, have brought the Empire to the pass where its whole future is tied up with the hope of a German victory, and if Germany loses, Mr. Abend says, Japan will be so roundly beaten by the United States that her naval forces will be gone and her merchant fleet lost.

She will then be an impoverished and embittered second or even third class power.

## No Illusions

Under no illusions concerning the possibility of a quick and easy, smashing victory for the United States, Mr. Abend nevertheless is confident that America will win the naval conflict.

Victory will be followed by transferring most of the United States Fleet to the Atlantic.

Possibly 30 submarines will be left in the China Seas to prey upon Japanese transports and supply ships bound for China. This will so seriously cripple the Japanese Army on the Asiatic mainland that then General

Chiang Kai-shek's armies can stage a gigantic counter-offensive and drive them into the sea.

Although the United States will be seeking no territorial gains by warring against Japan, the author closes by urging that at the final peace conference Japan be permanently deprived of some of that long chain of islands extending down the Pacific and into the South Seas, for so long as she holds and can fortify those islands, he argues, Japan will be in a position to bar American trade from eastern Asia.

"The bad neighbour should be made to put up at least that much of a bond to keep the peace," Mr. Abend concludes.—Central News.

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## LABOUR TRIBUTE TO MR. CHURCHILL

In a tribute to Mr. Churchill as a man of great courage and understanding, Mr. Harold Hicks, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour said yesterday: "His initiative and courage have captured the admiration of the world. This country and its Allies will wish to thank him not only for the dramatic meeting but also for the manly and spiritual declaration from the Atlantic."

"He is a man of great courage and understanding and if the people will give him understanding and support they will be backing a man who stands for all the ideals of this country and the better times before it."—Reuter.

## RUBBER QUOTA

The International Rubber Regulation Committee has fixed the permissible export quota for the fourth quarter of this year under the regulation scheme at 120 per cent of standard tonnage, says Reuter from London.

## CHARTER OF THE ATLANTIC

Thankfulness is generally expressed in London at the safe return of Mr. Churchill to Britain after his historic meeting "at sea" with President Roosevelt.

"The Times" says: "The journey which he and his staff of advisers made could not be without its hazards, however powerful the battleship on which he travelled and from the momentous meeting with the President, and however numerous and alert the escort."

"These hazards are now in the past. It was well worth while to accept them. The meeting and its results grow in importance as they are measured."

"President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill both deserve the highest credit for the form of consultation adopted, not so much because it was 'dramatic'—though it was not unimportant that it should have touched the world's imagination—as because it was direct."

"It has established personal contacts which must be of the highest value for all future exchanges of view, contacts not only between the President and Prime Minister but between the directing minds of the fighting services of both the two free nations."

The common understandings reached by the men responsible for the actual conduct of the war and joint consideration of contingencies in the near future constituted great and immediate gain.

## Conflict Of Ideas

The war—and especially this—is not solely a matter of men, munitions and machines. It is also a conflict of ideas.

In the declaration of common principles, the Charter of the Atlantic as it has been called—President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill have provided a great goal for all freedom loving peoples and a great weapon for use in this struggle.

A real opportunity has come for a well-based, consistent and energetic campaign on the political side. It can and must be taken.

It may be too early to speak of the Atlantic conferences as the turning point in the war. But they hold the promise and its fulfilment must lie in the decisions and exertions of the coming weeks and months.—British Wireless.

## BUSINESS BAD IN HONGKEW

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It is revealed in Shanghai that more than 50 Japanese-owned and Jewish refugee shops, cafés and restaurants have been forced to close in Hongkew owing to lack of business, partly through the political situation and partly owing to the frequent closing of the bridges over Soochow Creek, disrupting traffic.

Strict inspection of cholera certificates by Japanese sentries on the bridges is also deterring intending visitors to Hongkew night spots.—International News Service.

## HONG KONG MAILS LOST

The Postmaster-General announces that letters by surface route for United Kingdom via United States of America, posted in Hong Kong between 3rd and 11th May 1941, have been lost by enemy action.

## ST. LEGER CALL-OVER

Following is the latest call-over at Victoria Club on the St. Leger, to be run on September 8 at Manchester: Owen Tudor 11—2 t and o. Devonian 100—12 t and o. Chateau la Rose 9—1 o. Bakhtawar 10—1 o. Maratón 100—9 o. 10—1 t. Sun Castle 100—7 o. Royalist 100—7 o. Orthodox 100—7 o. Thoroughfare 100—6 o. Ptolemy 100—6 o. Starwort 100—6 o. Fitzrobin 20—1 o. Dancing Time 20—1 o. Lambert Simnel 20—1 o. Fettes 25—1 o. Turkana 33—1 o. Camperdown 40—1 o. Royal Academy 40—1 o. Solham 40—1 o. Cuedley 40—1 o. Felous 50—1 o.

—Reuter.

## BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

GREETINGS WERE EXCHANGED YESTERDAY IN A TWO-WAY RADIO BROADCAST BETWEEN SENOR QUEZON, PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND MR. HENRY A. WALLACE, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The occasion was the sixty-third birthday of President Quezon. He spoke from Manila and Mr. Wallace from Washington.

President Quezon, in the course of his talk, said his people were "with the United States in life or death."—Reuter.

## FIRM TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

Home rails provided the main feature on the London Stock Exchange yesterday with the market strong all-round influenced by hopes of an early statement of the new Government agreement. Elsewhere prices were quieter but the undertone continued firm and prices, generally, were maintained. Bradford Dyer was a good feature among industrials on the payment of five years' arrears in preference dividends. Shipping shares continued firm and oils were quiet while Kaffirs were quietly firm.—Reuter.

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## YOUNG WINS 220 YARDS SCHOOLS' HEAT

Swimming of a very promising standard was seen at Victoria Recreation Club last evening when the final heats for the Inter-Schools' Swimming Gala, to be held on Saturday, commencing at 5.07 p.m., were decided.

It was originally arranged that the gala should commence at 9.07 p.m. but the Committee, after further consideration, decided that it would be more convenient if the sports were held earlier in the evening.

Yesterday's results were:—

**SENIOR BOYS'**  
220 Yards free-style:—Heat No. 1: 1. D. Young (St. Joseph's); 2. A. V. Lopes (La Salle); 3. A. Sandberg (La Salle). Time 2 min. 58 sec. Heat No. 2: 1. W. Teo (St. Stephen's); 2. J. Rozario (La Salle). Time 3 min. 12.5 sec.

Diving three-metre board:—1. Chang On (St. Stephen's); 2. B. Pomeroy (La Salle); and 3. C. Whitfield (D.U.S.).

## TSUI HANG AGAIN WINS

Tsui Hang won the Open 100 Metres free-style event at the third swimming gala of South China A.A. at North Point yesterday, clocking 64 2/5 secs.

Following are the results:  
**Men's 50 Metres Breast-Stroke:**—1. Au Leung-wah; 2. Ho Pul-kan; 3. Tsui Luen-yu.  
**Ladies' 100 Metres Breast-Stroke:**—1. Li Po-luen; 2. Ho Wai-man; 3. Choi Pik.  
**Ladies' 50 Metres Back-Stroke:**—1. Li Po-luen; 2. Ho Wai-man; 3. Ho Wai-man.  
**Men's 100 Metres Free-Style (Open):**—1. Tsui Hang; 2. Fung Fek-wan; 3. Chung Tat-hung. Time 64 2/5 secs.

## TO-DAY'S WATER POLO GAMES

Following is to-day's programme of matches in the European Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo Tournament:

**AT NAVY POOL**  
Royal Navy "A" v Combined Small Units  
(5.00 p.m.)  
Royal Navy "C" v 5th A.A. R.A.  
(5.30 p.m.)  
**AT THE "Y" POOL**  
Royal Navy "B" v 36th Battery R.A.  
(6.30 p.m.)  
"Y" v 8th Coastal R.A.  
(7.00 p.m.)  
965th R.A. v Middlesex "B".  
(7.30 p.m.)  
Middlesex "A" v Royal Scots "B".  
(8.00 p.m.)

## VALLEY GOLF

Playing yesterday in the Second Summer Foursomes at the Valley, W. Willerton (12) and T. J. Price (10) beat H. H. Mundy (9) and W. Stoker (10) 3 and 2. The winners are now in the Final, where they will meet the winners of the T. B. Low and R. K. Collings, first tournament winners, and J. M. Thomson and N. J. Booker semi-final match.

The annual Inter-Company swimming sports of Royal Scots, for the Bower Trophy, was held at the Army Pool yesterday and resulted in Headquarters "B" winning with 31½ points. In an invitation relay race European Y.M.C.A. beat Royal Artillery.



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Doc. Molthen, who played a good game at first base for United States against India, is seen here autographing a ball for Chief Petty Officer Beck of U.S.S. Mindano after the gunboat's last game of the season, against South China on Sunday.

## AROMIN DESPERATELY ATTEMPTS TO REVIVE INTEREST IN BOXING

By "Incog"

ALTHOUGH THIS HUMID WEATHER IS NOT QUITE IDEAL FOR STRENUOUS SPORT, THERE ARE QUITE A NUMBER OF LOCAL SPORTSMEN WHO ARE ALREADY LOOKING FORWARD TO A BIG PROGRAMME FOR THE COOLER MONTHS THAT ARE TO COME.

One such is "Sal" Aromin, the local Filipino boxer, who hasn't had a bout in ages—through no fault of his own—but who is ever on the look-out to accommodate anybody in his division in anything up to 15 rounds of boxing.

Aromin must be one of the most consistently disappointed boxers ever to have stepped ashore in Hong Kong, for since his arrival here many years ago, the number of fights he has had may easily be counted on the fingers of one hand. And the betting is that he'll then have some fingers left over too!

Due to lack of support, Hong Kong Amateur Boxing Association decided to "pack up" some years ago, and, as has often been stated, since then we have only had one or two tournaments, and they have left much to be desired.

Aromin contends that Hong Kong is much more ideally situated as the boxing centre of the Orient than Shanghai and Singapore, or the Philippines for that matter. He ventures the argument that if some enterprising sportsmen got together and formed a syndicate solely with the idea of promoting boxing, all the best fighters in the Orient would lose no time foregathering in this Fragrant Isle, and he goes on to predict that there are fight fans enough to place such an undertaking on a profit-making basis.

## Andre Dupre Case

In support of his "optimism," Aromin cites the occasion when Andre Dupre, former feather-weight champion of France, accepted an invitation to fight here on the condition that he received \$1,500 "win, lose or draw." He

fought and the Boxing Association were none the poorer for having had to pay out, as enough tickets were sold to cover all expenses.

The answer to the question—why doesn't boxing thrive here?—probably lies in the fact that the Chinese are not sufficiently interested in the game.

If Aromin can persuade a few Chinese boxers of the standard of Nick Wan, of Shanghai, or David Young, the Honolulu, Chinese-born boxer who only a few days ago scored a decision over Little Dado (of Manila), world flyweight champion, to come to Hong Kong, enough interest might be aroused amongst Hong Kong's Chinese sportsmen to get some of them interested in the game.

With that achieved, Aromin would have covered the first milestone on his ambitious project, but until then boxing will probably remain very much in the background.

## TO-DAY'S LEAGUE TENNIS

Following is to-day's Tennis League programme and some of the teams:—

**First Division:**—C.D.R. v S.C.A.A.; C.R.C. v K.C.C.; H.K.U.T.C. v I.R.C.  
**Third Division:**—C.D.R. v K.I.T.C.; A.T.C. v C.R.C. (2); K.T.G.C.A. v K.C.C.; C.R.C. (1) v I.R.C.

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Club de Recreio:—H. A. Barros and W. A. Reed; A. V. Remedios and J. F. Goncalves; J. J. Remedios and J. B. Goncalves.  
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**THIRD DIVISION**  
K.C.C.:—D. H. Hazell and B. G. Baker; D. Llewellyn and N. Bebbington; K. Kloss and A. N. Other.  
Club de Recreio:—J. F. Goncalves

Dick Wakefield's early impression of American League pitching is:

"The ball comes up a little faster. There is a little more stuff on it. Pitchers are smarter. 'Still the pitching doesn't look too tough.'"

Wakefield, the 20-year-old Michigan sophomore whom Walter O. Briggs paid \$45,000 to sign a Detroit contract, smiles ruefully and admits he has a lot to learn. But he has the utmost confidence in his ability to hit well.

Against fast ball pitching, he's likely to remain an infielder, or lose the ball at any time. He tells you frankly that a good curve gives him no more trouble. It is his feeling that his causing Wakefield chief concern, the handling of ground balls in particular. Wakefield says he learned considerable working out with the Tigers, Indians, Reds and Dodgers on his unprecedented shopping tour. If he fails to stick in the big show, it won't be the fault of the Detroit players and coaches.

and A. E. Noronha; H. A. and G. A. Noronha; F. J. Remedios and A. M. Silva.

**K.I.T.C.:**—S. A. and S. S. Hussain; Dr. M. Singh and Dr. S. A. Sopher; M. Ramzan and K. S. Mehal.  
**Army:**—Emmerson and Duffield; Webb and Denyer; Murray and McGon;

The youngster especially appreciates what Bruce Campbell is doing for him. Campbell works with the big boys each afternoon, points out mistakes.

## Veterans Help Youngster

Wakefield is the son of a ball player and that is all he ever wanted to be. His father, Howard Wakefield, who died recently, caught for Cleveland and Washington. Dick Wakefield wanted to be a catcher, too. He worked out with the Indians as one of Comiskey Park two summers ago. He reported to Fletcher, the one-time Yankee pitcher coaching Michigan, as a backstop. Fletcher at once recognized that the 6-foot-2, 192-pound kid belonged in the outfield. He foresaw a great left-handed hitter with speed and a strong arm. So he yanked Wakefield out from behind the pads and made a job the lad did well, but not phenomenally.

Nick Wan, of Shanghai, and Luis Logan, retired, heavyweight champion of the Orient, will meet over 10 rounds, with the heavyweight title at stake, at Rizal Memorial Coliseum, Manila, on September 3, in a card in aid of the War Relief Society.

## SOUTH CHINA WIN SECOND 1941 LEAGUE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

By "Incog"

**SOUTH CHINA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION WON THEIR SECOND LEAGUE TENNIS TITLE IN THE COURSE OF FIVE DAYS WHEN THEY BEAT CHINESE RECREATION CLUB BY 8 SETS TO 1 AT KING'S PARK YESTERDAY TO ANNEX SECOND DIVISION HONOURS. LAST THURSDAY THEY ALSO BEAT C.R.C. IN FOURTH DIVISION, TO RETAIN THE DUNLOP SHIELD FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN SUCCESSION.**

It is interesting to note that last year South China almost carried off this honour, losing to Chinese R.C. in the play-off.

With their Third Division team virtual champions, the 1941 season will stand out as the most successful one South China has ever enjoyed in the League.

The games yesterday attracted a very large crowd to King's Park, and well was it worth the trouble too, for the games were always interesting, although one would not think so, to judge by the scores.

## Ho Outstanding

Outstanding player for South China yesterday was without doubt their captain, W. C. Ho, in spite of the fact that he and his partner, W. T. Lee, were the only pair to drop a set.

A left-handed player, Ho hit the ball very hard and his overhead shots, particularly, had a lot of sting in them. They dropped their set to Luk and Choy, but by that time they had already won the match, having taken all six sets by the end of the second round, and they were taking things easy—though it must be said that the C.R.C. pair deserve full marks for the determined way they took advantage of every opportunity that came their way.

Dr. S. C. Dew, despite his 50-odd Summers, was also prominent with some good tennis, but K. H. Yip, who recently created an upset at C.R.C. by beating Tsui Yan-pui in that club's tournament, was off form.

## Ho Ka-lau's Play

For South China, Luk and Choy never gave up trying, even after the game had already been lost, and both these players brought off some good ground shots, Lu Tak-

cheuk spoiled many a chance by being over-anxious to finish off a rally with an "ace" which, however, seldom came off.

Ho Ka-lau, formerly one of the Colony's leading lights, but now showing signs of plying way to Father Time, played a mediocre game. He put some seemingly easy returns into the net, but his judgment was still of a very high standard, particularly in regard to lobbing.

Scores were as follow:—

K. H. Yip and W. H. Ho (S.C.A.A.) beat T. C. Lu and K. L. Ho 6-1  
beat K. C. Ng and O. L. Pang 6-3  
beat D. C. Luk and P. F. Choy 6-1  
W. T. Lee and W. C. Ho (S.C.A.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-2  
beat Ng and Pang 6-1  
lost to Luk and Choy 3-6  
S. C. Dew and B. Szeto (S.C.A.A.) beat Lu and Ho 6-3  
beat Ng and Pang 6-1  
beat Luk and Choy 6-4

## Table To Date

|            | P. | W. | L. | D.  | Sets | Pts. |
|------------|----|----|----|-----|------|------|
| S.C.A.A.   | 4  | 4  | 0  | 33  | 3    | 8    |
| C.R.C.     | 4  | 2  | 1  | 20  | 16   | 5    |
| K.T.G.C.A. | 4  | 2  | 0  | 17½ | 10½  | 4    |
| K.C.C.     | 3  | 1  | 0  | 8½  | 13½  | 2    |
| C.S.C.C.   | 4  | 1  | 3  | 11  | 25   | 2    |
| A.T.O.     | 3  | 0  | 2  | 1   | 18   | 1    |

## POLICE MAKE NO CHANGES

Police Recreation Club are making no changes in their lawn bowls teams this week, both First and Third Division sides being identical to those on view last Saturday.

Hong Kong Cricket Club are fielding the same Second Division team as they did last week, but in Third Division Young, who was No. 2 to McKellar last week, goes to No. 1 in the same rink in place of Lacon, while the No. 2 berth will be filled by Pudney.

## Selected Teams

Following are the selected teams:

**POLICE R.C.**  
First Division v K.B.G.C. (A) home:—C. H. Gough, J. M. Forrest, E. G. Post and J. S. Feilder (skip). W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip). W. J. D. Cameron, C. Pile, W. E. Hollands and F. Nolan (skip).  
Third Division v K.B.G.C. away:—J. E. Hayward, J. S. Riddell, J. R. McWalter and J. C. Aitken (skip). G. Willerton, W. M. Smith, A. Soutar and J. W. Macdonald (skip). L. C. Penwell, A. J. Johnson, F. Channing and A. E. Carey (skip). Reserve: J. Hendrigo.

**HONG KONG C.C.**  
Second Division v Craigengower away:—S. L. Lloyd, J. G. Haigh, H. G. Wallington and G. E. Costello (skip). G. G. Aitkenhead, T. R. Rowell, P. J. A. Hamilton and F. Goodwin (skip). R. R. Davies, E. Hosper, R. A. Edwards and A. W. Brown (skip).  
Third Division v Kowloon Football Club away:—H. H. Beedow, L. E. N. Ryan, A. Nissim and E. Abraham (skip). H. F. Shields, E. S. Doughty, T. C. Monaghan and P. S. Cassidy (skip). R. Young, E. W. Pudney, A. S. Mitchell and A. McKellar (skip).



# AMERICA FACES LEANEST TENNIS SEASON IN COURSE OF 20 YEARS

America is witnessing the first tournaments in what may be its leanest tennis season for more than 20 years.

The war has prevented the usual influx of international talent which made the amateur game so attractive, and made some inroads in the ranks of native players as well, since a number of promising younger players have taken places in the armed forces. With Davis Cup competition in abeyance until the war's end, a prime incentive for the younger players is lost and some of the most interesting competitions cancelled.

## U.S. BLANK INDIA IN INTERNATIONAL

By "Referee"

IN AN INTERESTING BASEBALL GAME AT CHATHAM ROAD YESTERDAY UNITED STATES QUALIFIED TO MEET PORTUGAL, HOLDERS, ON SATURDAY WHEN THEY DEFEATED INDIA BY 7 RUNS TO NIL.

India gave a good display in view of the fact that several of their players had not played this season. Their fielding was, on the whole, good but they could not do much against the pitching of Pawloski, who was backed by an excellent field.

O. el Arculli pitched the whole distance for India and his deliveries appeared slow, though the Americans could not connect properly. Hussain was the outstanding fielder for India and was safe with everything that came his way. He was prominent with a number of good catches at centre field.

### U.S. Battery Good

Hamet covered the initial sack well, while Razack did creditably in his first attempt behind the plate. Pawloski and Mascavage formed the United States battery and worked the whole distance. Pawloski had the Indian batters in difficulties often, while Mascavage's strong arm gave the Indian base runners little chance to do any pilfering.

Molthen and Waggoner played one of their best games for a long time. The latter was unfortunate to be out at third when attempting to stretch a good two-bagger in the fifth inning.

### Opportunity Lost

After blanking India in the first inning, America opened the scoring through Pawloski on a bad throw by Hamet to M. el Arculli.

Batting for the second time India had bases full with one down, but they failed to score. O. el Arculli was out at the home plate on a forced play and Mascavage retired the side when he brought off a neat one-handed catch off Razack in foul territory.

The third inning was featured by a good catch at left field by Nazarin and a neat double play by Kitchell, Bux and M. el Arculli to put out Pawloski and McKenzie.

Hamet reached first base on a walk to advance Kitchell, who had registered a hit. But even with none down India could not break into the scoring column. Razack was caught by Mascavage, while Bux was out to an infield fly. Waggoner did well to catch a fly from Nazarin.

### The Expensive Sixth

The sixth inning proved expensive for India. With bases loaded Pawloski clouted a three-bagger and was brought in on an error for America to score four runs in that inning.

India still made an effort to score. Hamet was struck out and Razack's hit to left field was well held by McKenzie. Bux bunted but Kitchell, who had taken too big a lead, could not return to third base in time, a throw by

## TO-DAY'S BOWLS

Following is to-day's programme of matches in Fourth Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship:

At Kowloon Bowling Green Club  
L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v A. J. Kow and Y. H. Tang.

At Kowloon Cricket Club  
H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (holders) v J. V. Ramsey and R. Morrison.

At Police Recreation Club  
A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v J. Williamson and C. S. M. Thom.

At Craigengower Cricket Club  
H. R. Pinna and B. Basso v E. G. Post and W. Cameron.

## BASEBALL SCHOOL PROGRESS

By "Grandstand"

"Grandpa" Leung's baseball school is proving a tremendous success and the "grand old man" has hopes of displaying his pupils' progress with an exhibition game at Railway Corner this season, between two picked teams from the cream of his disciples.

Take a stroll down to sun-baked Caroline Hill any afternoon, and you will see the diamond maestro in one of his coaching sessions. Talk about keenness, you couldn't drag any one of the players away from their practices, with a team of mules, for the maestro has injected a new spirit into his followers—youngsters who must take the place of the diamond heroes who have been enjoying the roars of the baseball mobs for the past decade, for though these diamond satellites are still glittering brightly, and may do so for many more years, yet, the time must come for them to hang up their gloves.

When that time comes, these youngsters will be ready to step into their shoes. Here, the accent is on youth. "Here's more power to you, Grandpa."

"Grandpa" Leung also has one of the strongest Chinese sides seen for a long time, and chances are very bright for them to cop the international honours this season, especially with Wally Ching paired together with his former battery mate Nip Lum. Most of the Chung Hwa players are included in the line-up whilst Nelson Ma, Hal and Cecil Winglee from South China might make the team.

Nothing much has been heard of Sarge Welford's Great Britain team, but you can trust old Welfy to round up a team when the time comes for a show-down. Great Britain has been drawn to meet China next week, the winner of the tussle going into the Final.

William T. Tilden in five sets. Tilden is still the stroke master, as he displayed in the first two sets, when his cannonball service and tremendous forehand drives kept the former British star at the baseline. But Tilden at 48 has not the stamina of the Tilden of ten years ago, and he was at Fred's mercy in the last three sessions of the match. Richard Sken, Vincent Richards, Lester Stoefer and Keith Gledhill were others in this round-robin, and the crowds seemed greatly pleased by their efforts.

### Wood In Form

Wood's participation in the early season competitions indicates that he plans a full campaign, probably through the national championships. Frank Kovacs, who fared so well in the Winter tournaments in California and Florida, and Bobby Riggs whom McNeill dethroned, must be reckoned with in any discussion of national competition. Next to McNeill, they are the best on the basis of last year's play.

With Miss Alice Marble gone from the women's amateur ranks to the professional group, there is no player that stands out. Miss Helen Hall Jacobs former champion, is back in the lists again, and if she continues through the season, undoubtedly will be the one to beat for the title. Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke, Miss Helen Pedersen, Miss Virginia Wolfenden, and the usual fine group from the Pacific Coast all will be seen in action.

### Professional Boom

The situation has one bright side—the increasing importance of professional tennis—as public interests in their contests grows. An instance of the popularity of the professional game was seen recently in the national professional championship tournament at Chicago and at Forest Hills for the "world championship." The latter, played in the interest of British war relief, drew all the leading players, and in three days of competition they attracted 15,000 spectators.

Fred Perry, now an American citizen, won both at Chicago and Forest Hills, defeating Donald Budge in straight sets, in the latter, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3. This established Perry as the head man in world tennis again. Wonderfully fit, as always, Perry had all his marvellous strokes at command.

### Coming Events Cast . . .

Perry had served notice of his intentions on the previous day in defeating

## TRANSPORT MINISTER SHOWS LONDON CLUBS IN RIGHT

In view of the expulsion of Arsenal, Chelsea, Brentford, Tottenham, Aldershot, Brighton, Reading, Watford and seven other southern clubs from the Football League because of their refusal to play fixtures laid down by the League on the grounds of excessive travelling, the following report from London, dated August 8, throws an interesting light on the subject.

Mascavage catching him with the wrong foot forward.

| UNITED STATES | R. | H. | E. |
|---------------|----|----|----|
| E. Wilson     | 2  | 1  | 0  |
| Pawloski      | 1  | 2  | 1  |
| McKenzie      | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Mascavage     | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| Moore         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Waggoner      | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Molthen       | 1  | 1  | 0  |
| R. Wilson     | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Bowersox      | 2  | 0  | 0  |
| Elder         | 1  | 0  | 0  |

| INDIA         | R. | H. | E. |
|---------------|----|----|----|
| Bux           | 0  | 0  | 1  |
| Nazarin       | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Bakar         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| A. R. Abbas   | 0  | 1  | 0  |
| O. el Arculli | 0  | 1  | 1  |
| Hussain       | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Hamet         | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Kitchell      | 0  | 1  | 3  |
| Razack        | 0  | 0  | 0  |

Struck out—Pawloski 4, O. el Arculli 6.  
Base on ball—Pawloski 2, Arculli 3.

## HEKKING SURPRISED IN SHANGHAI AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIP HEATS

ALTHOUGH, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE LADIES' 50 YARDS BACK-STROKE AND BREAST-STROKE EVENTS — IN WHICH THE WINNERS RECORDED TIMES ONLY SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE RECORDS SET LAST YEAR — THE STANDARD OF SWIMMING WAS FAIRLY MEDIOCRE, HEATS OF THE FOUR SHANGHAI AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS AT THE A.S.F. POOL PRODUCED SOME KEEN COMPETITION WHICH AUGURS WELL FOR THE FINALS, WRITES THE "NORTH CHINA DAILY NEWS."

The men's 220 Yards free-style produced a new star in the person of T. C. Chie, who surprised the gathering by defeating the highly-fancied sprinter, R. Hekking, in the comparatively good time of 2 minutes 39 1/5 seconds. Conceding the fact that Hekking — still suffering from a weak heart — was holding himself in reserve for a major effort in the finals, it must be admitted that Chie swam in championship style.

This was the only upset of the evening, the other heats running pretty well to form.

The first heat of the men's 220 Yards free-style went to C. L. Wen in the slow time of 2 minutes 50 and 3/5 seconds.

It is not likely, however, that he will be able to offer T. C. Chie and Hekking much competition in the final.

### Freak Draw

The freakishness of the draw for the men's 100 Yards breast-stroke championship found the two strongest competitors—O. Grebenschloff and A. J. Dodd — in the same heat. Dodd took the lead from the word "go", but the well-known staying powers of Grebenschloff made themselves felt after the first two laps, and he soon passed the young Rowing Club swimmer to win comfortably by four yards in 76 4/5 seconds—nearly a second better than the time he recorded last year, but more than eight seconds behind Dick Hall's mark of 68 3/5 established in 1939.

### Leonie Disqualified

In the second heat an unfortunate mistake by R. Leonie robbed him of victory. Leonie started off strongly and maintained his lead until just before the finish when, apparently ruffled by the sudden spurt on the part of D. Maher, who was lying second, the Frenchman broke into the free-style for two strokes. But this was sufficient to disqualify him, and Maher was adjudged the winner, while S. K. Chung, third, took second place.

As only five competitors turned up for the two ladies' events, the heats were comprised of three and two swimmers respectively, with the latter pair merely swimming over the distance to qualify. Strangely enough, in each case the draw forced the two strongest swimmers into the one competitive heat.

## KEEN BASKETBALL MATCH TO-NIGHT

Judging from their previous performances, the match in the Open Basketball League between Residents' Union and National University, which is down for decision at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. at 8.30 p.m. to-night, should be an interesting and evenly contested one.

In the curtain raiser, at 7.30 p.m., South China should have no difficulty in obtaining both points from their opponents, Youths.

This resulted in the elimination of Miss R. Riege in the first heat of the breast-stroke — although she appeared to have dead-heat d with Miss Vera Dodd and deserved a better fate.

### Champion Wins Easily

Miss Jill Peach, Shanghai champion, had little difficulty in winning her heat in the 50 Yards back-stroke in 40 2/5 seconds, nearly two seconds above her record, while in the breast-stroke event the record-holder, Miss Doreen Gray, registered 41 1/5 seconds, 1 4/5 seconds above her mark last year.

## TO-DAY'S HOCKEY MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Hockey Section of European Y.M.C.A. will be held this afternoon at 6.30 p.m.

The death, at the age of 77, is recorded of A. M. Walters, the Old Carthusian, who with his brother "P.M." formed one of the greatest full-back partnerships in the history of Association football. They played together many times for England between 1885 and 1890 in full internationals. "A.M." was in the Cambridge soccer eleven of 1884-5-6-7 and played against his brother "P.M." in the Varsity match.



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# HALF ENEMY CONVOY SUNK

Fleet Air Arm Scores Great Success

## STRIKING BEVIN SCHEME

The Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, made striking proposals regarding the control of raw material in a speech to the Transport General Workers' Annual Conference.

Mr. Bevin said countries dealing with primary products would have a greater say in future in world affairs than they had hitherto.

The British Commonwealth, China, the United States and Russia would probably play a role that none up till now had ever conceived in the future organisation of the world.

One of the striking declarations in the Churchill-Roosevelt joint statement dealt with raw materials.

He thought that what applied to raw materials would apply largely to certain primary foods. They must no longer be subject to speculation. They must be organised.

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He would pool them internationally, pool freight and make a charge for their use with international control.

This, he believed, would relieve some of the primary causes of international struggle.

He hoped that the declaration meant not only free access to raw

## Tomahawks In Action Off Egypt

HALF OF AN ENEMY CONVOY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN WAS SUNK, BEACHED OR SET ON FIRE AS A RESULT OF AN ATTACK BY THE FLEET AIR ARM ON SUNDAY NIGHT.

A communique from R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East yesterday revealed that Swordfish aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm carried out a highly successful attack on an enemy convoy consisting of five large merchant-vessels and a tanker escorted by six destroyers in the central Mediterranean.

One vessel, of 6,000 tons, was hit by a torpedo and sank after two hours. The tanker was also hit by a torpedo and a violent explosion followed.

Aircraft which shadowed the remainder of the convoy, reported later that the tanker was still on fire and had stopped.

Scenes of considerable confusion were taking place, A.A. guns being fired in all directions without any definite target.

A second merchantman was then torpedoed and reconnaissance the following day showed that it had been beached at Lampedusa Island.

### Again Attacked

The ship was there attacked by Blenheims of the R.A.F. and

materials but to the working out of a system whereby these great basic materials would be free to mankind on equal terms.—British Wireless.

a direct hit with a heavy bomb set it on fire, with volumes of black smoke pouring from it.

In Libya, heavy R.A.F. bombers raided Benghazi and Tripoli during the night of August 17/18th.

At Benghazi, the harbour and shipping were attacked. Bombs were seen to burst on the bases of Juliana, the Cathedral and Central Moles and on railway sidings. An explosion and several fires resulted.

At Tripoli, the harbour was bombed. Hits on the Spanish Mole and Fort caused a number of explosions.

### Tomahawks In Action

An attempt by a large force of Messerschmitt 109's and 110's to attack shipping off the Egyptian coast on Monday was foiled by R.A.F. Tomahawk fighters which gave combat to the 109's and compelled the 110's to drop their bombs some miles from the target.

In the Wolcheft, Deaarech and Gondar areas of Abyssinia, R.A.F. and South African aircraft have been cooperating in machine-gunning and bombing enemy positions.

Direct hits were scored on huts and buildings and Fascist headquarters was destroyed. A number of fires was started.

Operating off Malta a Hurricane aircraft intercepted and shot down a Caproni seaplane.

From all these operations two aircraft are missing. — Reuter.

## AIRCRAFT LOST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE PAN-AMERICAN AIRWAYS OFFICE IN RIO DE JANEIRO SAID YESTERDAY ONE OF ITS PLANES, WITH NINE PASSENGERS AND FOUR CREW, HAS NOT ARRIVED AT SAN PAULO ON A FLIGHT FROM PORTO ALEGRE.

The passengers included Mr. Philip C. Jessup, internationally-known authority on international law, who is a Professor at Columbia University, N.Y.—International News Service.

## ONE POINT OF VIEW

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") President Roosevelt yesterday was charged with committing the U.S. to war by his eight-point statement with Mr. Churchill.

Senator Johnson (Republican, California), the veteran isolationist, bluntly made the charge, contending "there is no other way to interpret the pact."

The majority leader, Senator Barkley, heatedly denied the charge, claiming "the U.S. is not committed."—International News Service.

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## JOE LOUIS DIVORCE SUIT DROPPED

While the divorce suit hearing was proceeding in Chicago yesterday, Joe Louis suddenly announced that he and his wife were ready to patch up their marital difficulties and forget about the divorce suit.

After their discussion during the hearing, Louis emerged and announced that all differences between them were forgiven.

The lawyer will now ask for dismissal of Mrs. Louis' suit, it was announced. — Reuter.

## FIFTEEN MORE DEAD

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The death toll in the Brooklyn waterfront fire has been raised to 20 with the sighting of 15 bodies in the smoking-shattered freighter "Panuco."

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Army and Navy

## MR. DUFF COOPER'S MISSION

Mr. A. Duff-Cooper, who is on the way to the Far East on a special mission for the British Government, told New York reporters yesterday he plans to visit Batavia in the near future to discuss collaboration with N.E.I. officials.

He will also probably go to Australia.

Mr. Duff-Cooper leaves San Francisco on August 26, reaching Singapore on September 2.

"My mission," he said, "has two phases."

"Firstly a fact-finding inquiry, which will be followed by a report to the British Government."

"Secondly, the possible execution of plans submitted by me."

"Aim of my Batavia visit would be to try and find a basis for a more direct exchange of views."

"At the same time, I wish to point out that my mission was decided on before the present Far Eastern crisis developed and is not directed against Japan." — Reuter.

Department of Commerce are investigating the possibility of sabotage.

Six separate investigations are proceeding. — International News Service.

## STOP PRESS

Manila Observatory this morning reported a typhoon to the east of Formosa, moving North or NNW.

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